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1                   [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION  
2                   ON JANUARY 26, 2010, BEGINS ON PAGE 118.]

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6   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THIS MORNING OUR INVOCATION WILL BE LED BY  
7   SUPERVISOR DON KNABE HE OF THE THIRD DISTRICT. OUR PLEDGE THIS  
8   MORNING WILL BE LED BY MEL HAFENFELD, WHO IS A VETERAN SERVICE  
9   OFFICER WITH GLENDALE POST 127 OF THE AMERICAN LEGION. SO IF  
10   YOU WOULD ALL PLEASE STAND.

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12   **SUP. KNABE:** PLEASE STAND BUT BEFORE I START PRAYING, I'VE FROM  
13   THE FOURTH DISTRICT, NOT THE THIRD DISTRICT.

14

15   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OH, WHAT DID I SAY?

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17   **SUP. KNABE:** THIRD DISTRICT.

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19   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OH, I APOLOGIZE.

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21   **SUP. KNABE:** ZEB WAS IN SHOCK.

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23   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SHOCKED TWO OF YOU

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1   **SUP. KNABE:** WOULD YOU JOIN ME FOR AN ATTITUDE OF PRAYER,  
2   PLEASE. OH MOST KIND AND GRACIOUS HEAVENLY FATHER, WE COME  
3   BEFORE YOU THIS MORNING TO GIVE YOU THANKS, TO THANK YOU FOR  
4   THE BLESSINGS YOU BESTOWED UPON EACH AND EVERY ONE OF US. WE  
5   THANK YOU AS A BOARD FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE THE PEOPLE  
6   OF THIS GREAT COUNTY AND THIS GREAT STATE AND THIS GREAT  
7   NATION. GRACIOUS GOD, WE ALSO KNOW THAT THERE IS TURMOIL,  
8   THERE IS WAR, THERE ARE DIFFICULT BUDGET TIMES AHEAD. AND WE  
9   SEEK YOUR WISDOM AND GUIDANCE TO DO THE RIGHT THING. NOT  
10   NECESSARILY THE POLITICAL THING, BUT THE RIGHT THING; TO BE OF  
11   SERVICE IN A WAY THAT YOU WOULD LIKE US TO BE OF SERVICE AND  
12   TO WATCH OVER THOSE LESS FORTUNATE, TO BE WITH THEM, OUR  
13   ABILITY TO ASSIST IN WHATEVER WAY WE CAN TO GIVE THEM COMFORT  
14   AND PEACE AND JOY. AND WE ONCE AGAIN JUST WANT TO THANK YOU  
15   FOR ALL THE BLESSINGS. CONTINUE AND GUIDE AND DIRECT US. WE  
16   WANT TO GIVE YOU ALL THE THANKS. AND ALL GOD'S PEOPLE SAID  
17   AMEN.

18

19   **MEL HAFENFELD:** GOOD MORNING. PUT YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR  
20   HEART, PLEASE. AND HERE WE GO, THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.  
21   [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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23   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR  
24   LEADING US IN INVOCATION THAT WAS INSPIRING AND MOTIVATIONAL





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1 FOR ALL OF US TODAY OFF THE TOP OF HIS HEAD. WE APPRECIATE  
2 YOUR SUBSTITUTE. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CHAIR, MEMBERS, ONCE AGAIN TO INTRODUCE MEL  
5 HAFENFELD FROM GLENDALE WITH THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 127  
6 WHERE HE SERVES AS THE VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER. HE WAS ALSO  
7 IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY BETWEEN 1969 AND 1970 WITH THE NAVAL  
8 AIR FACILITY CAM RANH BAY IN REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM. HE IS THE  
9 HOMELESS COORDINATOR WITH THE AMERICAN LEGION WOMEN'S HOMELESS  
10 SHELTER. RESIDES IN GLENDALE, GRADUATE OF GLENDALE COMMUNITY  
11 COLLEGE, GLENDALE HIGH SCHOOL, AND CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY  
12 AT LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR COMING DOWN AND LEADING US  
13 IN PRAYER. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WITH THAT, I'M GOING  
16 TO ASK OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE  
19 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 4, PUBLIC  
20 HEARINGS, ITEMS 1 AND 2. ON BOTH OF THESE ITEMS WE WILL HOLD  
21 FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING. PAGE 5, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, BOARD  
22 OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 3 THROUGH 8. ON ITEM NO. 5, THERE'S A  
23 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM  
24 NO. 8, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
25 HELD. THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.  
3 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO  
4 ORDERED.

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PAGE 7, CONSENT CALENDAR. ITEMS 9 THROUGH  
7 19. ON ITEM NO. 9, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, THE  
8 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED  
9 BACK TO HIS OFFICE.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

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13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 10, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
14 REQUESTS THAT RECOMMENDATION NO. 1 BE REVISED TO "AUTHORIZE  
15 THE C.E.O. TO ACCEPT A GRANT CONTINGENT UPON THE STATE'S  
16 APPROVAL OF THE COUNTY'S PLAN" AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM,  
17 SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS  
18 ITEM BE HELD.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD.

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 11, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS  
23 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 13, THE DIRECTOR  
24 OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED  
25 BACK TO HIS DEPARTMENT.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 14, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A  
5 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT-- EXCUSE ME-- MEMBERS OF THE  
6 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT'S ITEM 14.

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10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 14. ON ITEM NO. 17, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM  
11 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND THE REMAINING  
12 ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON THOSE ITEMS, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
15 YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO  
16 OBJECTION. SO ORDERED.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE NOW ON PAGE 12, ORDINANCES FOR  
19 INTRODUCTION, ITEMS 20 THROUGH 23. AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED  
20 AGENDA FOR THESE ITEMS, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS  
21 THAT THESE ITEMS BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS DEPARTMENT. AND THAT  
22 WILL BE ALL ITEMS 20 THROUGH 23.

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24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ITEMS.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** DISCUSSION ITEMS, ITEMS 24 AND 25. ON ITEM  
2 NO. 24, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE  
3 OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO  
4 FEBRUARY 9TH, 2010.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ITEM 24.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 25, AS INDICATED ON THE  
9 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT  
10 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED THREE WEEKS TO FEBRUARY 16TH, 2010. AND  
11 THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
12 SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 3.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR  
15 YAROSLAVSKY, BEFORE YOU BEGIN ON YOUR PRESENTATIONS, I'D LIKE  
16 TO MAKE A PRESENTATION TO ONE OF OUR CONSUL GENERALS THAT  
17 WE'RE GOING TO WELCOME. IT IS MY HONOR THIS MORNING TO MAKE A  
18 VERY SPECIAL PRESENTATION AND TO WELCOME THE HONORABLE  
19 ELISABETH FOTIADOU, THE CONSUL GENERAL OF GREECE IN LOS  
20 ANGELES. AFTER PRACTICING LAW AND STUDYING AT THE NATIONAL  
21 SCHOOL OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, SHE JOINED THE GREEK  
22 DIPLOMATIC CORPS. SHE FIRST SERVED WITH THE MINISTRY OF  
23 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, FOLLOWED BY SERVICE IN THE GREEK CONSUL  
24 GENERAL IN SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA. SHE THEN RETURNED TO GREECE AND  
25 WORKED FOR THE COMMONWEALTH OF INDEPENDENT STATES, WHICH IS A



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1 REGIONAL ORGANIZATION OF NATIONS THAT ONCE WERE THE REPUBLIC  
2 IN THE FORMER SOVIET UNION. IN 2003, SHE WAS TRANSFERRED TO  
3 THE GREEK EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON, D.C. WHERE SHE SERVED FOR  
4 THREE YEARS AND THEN AGAIN RETURNED TO GREECE. SHE HAS NOW  
5 ARRIVED IN LOS ANGELES TO SERVE AS OUR CONSUL GENERAL HERE IN  
6 LOS ANGELES. WE'RE SO PLEASED TO WELCOME YOU. AND IT IS INDEED  
7 AN HONOR TO GIVE YOU THIS PLAQUE AS A TOKEN OF OUR FRIENDSHIP  
8 AND WELCOME. AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU AS YOU  
9 CONTINUE TO DO YOUR GOOD WORK HERE IN LOS ANGELES.

10

11 **ELISABETH FOTIADOU:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]  
14 I'D LIKE TO INVITE THE CONSUL GENERAL TO SHARE A FEW WORDS, IF  
15 SHE WOULD.

16

17 **ELISABETH FOTIADOU:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR INVITING ME HERE.  
18 I FEEL REALLY VERY WELCOME. I CAME HERE SIX MONTHS AGO, AND  
19 THE FIRST WELCOME WAS FROM THE PROTOCOL OFFICE OF L.A. COUNTY.  
20 I'M THRILLED TO BE ABLE TO BE COOPERATE WITH YOU. I KNOW THAT  
21 EVERY SERVICE WE ENJOY HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, WE HAVE YOU BEHIND  
22 IT. AND WE ARE GRATEFUL TO YOU FOR THE SMOOTH FUNCTION OF THIS  
23 AREA. GREECE IS A VERY SMALL COUNTRY. WE ARE 11 MILLION  
24 PEOPLE, A LITTLE BIT MORE THAN THE POPULATION OF L.A. COUNTY,  
25 BUT WE HAVE A GREAT HISTORY. AND I WAS PLEASED TO SEE THAT OUR



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1 HISTORY AND CULTURE IS APPRECIATED HERE. FROM THE TIME I'VE  
2 BEEN HERE, I FOLLOWED GREEK TRAGEDIES IN YOUR THEATERS AND I  
3 VISITED UNIVERSITIES WHERE GREEK CIVILIZATION IS TAUGHT. AND I  
4 VISITED MUSEUMS WITH GREEK EXHIBITS. WE ALSO HAVE A VERY  
5 VIBRANT GREEK AMERICAN COMMUNITY HERE. AND I'M REALLY LOOKING  
6 FORWARD TO WORK WITH YOU IN EVERY FIELD. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]  
9 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HAS NO PRESENTATIONS, SO DO YOUR  
10 PRESENTATION.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, IT'S SORT OF GOOD NEWS IS THAT WE WELCOME  
13 THE GREEK CONSUL GENERAL HERE TODAY, AND I'M JUST ABOUT TO  
14 HONOR PROBABLY THE MOST FAMOUS GREEK FAMILY IN LOS ANGELES  
15 COUNTY, THE PAPADAKIS FAMILY. [APPLAUSE.] I'M GOING TO ASK  
16 ANGIE AND JOHN. WITH US TODAY, WE HAVE JOHN AND DONNA  
17 PAPADAKIS, ANGIE PAPADAKIS, MOM TO US ALL. TOSEL PAPADAKIS, A  
18 SON, ANGEL PAPADAKIS, PETER PAPADAKIS WHO'S A COUSIN AND WORKS  
19 IN OUR C.E.O.'S OFFICE. DID I MISS ANYBODY? MIKE CHRISTIANSON,  
20 DEPUTY DIRECTOR, PORT OF LOS ANGELES. OGGIE BESLEMEIVICH,  
21 CONSULTANT, FAMILY FRIEND. THIS IS SORT OF A VERY SAD MOMENT.  
22 AT THE END OF THIS WEEK, AT THE END OF THIS MONTH, PROBABLY  
23 ONE OF THE MOST ENJOYABLE EATING EXPERIENCES IN LOS ANGELES  
24 COUNTY, PAPADAKIS TAVERNA, A LANDMARK AND HISTORIC RESTAURANT,  
25 AND ONE OF THE MOST SUCCESSFULLY FAMILY-OWNED BUSINESSES NOT



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1 ONLY IN SAN PEDRO BUT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WILL BE CLOSING  
2 ITS DOORS AFTER 37 YEARS OF BUSINESS. THE RESTAURANT WAS  
3 CREATED BY ITS OWNER, JOHN, WHO IS UP HERE WITH US, WHEN HE  
4 WAS ONLY 23. NOW HE'S 25. [LAUGHTER.] HE OPENED THAT  
5 RESTAURANT AFTER RETURNING FROM HIS HONEYMOON IN GREECE. IT  
6 HAS ENTERTAINED AND DELIGHTED DINERS OVER THE YEARS WITH ITS  
7 WARM ATMOSPHERE, WONDERFUL FOOD, DANCING WAITERS, SINGING  
8 WAITERS. WE'D LIKE TO KNOW EXACTLY HOW MANY DISHES JOHN HAS  
9 BROKEN AS PART OF HIS RITUAL EVERY NIGHT AT THE RESTAURANT.  
10 THE RESTAURANT HAS ATTRACTED NUMEROUS CELEBRITIES OVER THE  
11 YEARS AND INCLUDED ELIZABETH TAYLOR, HARRISON FORD, FRANK  
12 SINATRA, JOHN WAYNE, RON HOWARD. ALSO ZEV HAS ENTERTAINED  
13 NUMEROUS U.S.C. FOOTBALL COACHES AND PLAYERS OVER THE YEARS.  
14 YEAH, YEAH. SO I REALLY KNOW THAT THE DINERS FROM ALL OVER LOS  
15 ANGELES COUNTY AND OUR NATION WHO HAVE BECOME REGULARS AND THE  
16 PLACE TO BE OR THE PLACE TO STOP BY, AT PAPADAKIS'S  
17 RESTAURANT, WILL TRULY MISS THE WARM ATMOSPHERE. WITH THE BIG  
18 HUG THAT YOU GET FROM JOHN WHEN YOU ENTER THE RESTAURANT, AND  
19 OBVIOUSLY THE WONDERFUL FOOD, THIS RESTAURANT HAS CREATED  
20 MANY, MANY WONDERFUL MEMORIES FOR THE MANY THOUSANDS OF DINERS  
21 WHO HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF SHARING A MEAL AT THE RESTAURANT OVER  
22 THE YEARS. SO TO JOHN AND TO THE ENTIRE FAMILY, WE WISH YOU  
23 ALL THE BEST, GODSPEED AND I KNOW IT'S GOING TO BE TOUGH TO  
24 GIVE IT UP. WE JUST FOUND OUT TODAY THAT THE RESERVATIONS DUE  
25 SUNDAY NIGHT ARE NOW GOING ON EBAY. I'M NOT SAYING IT'S A HOT



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1 PLACE TO BE, BUT IT'S JUST A WONDERFUL, FRIENDLY, HAPPY, WARM  
2 PLACE TO HAVE A GREAT DINNER AND TO BE WITH A BUNCH OF FUN,  
3 LOVING, CARING PEOPLE. THE PAPADAKIS FAMILY, LIKE I SAID, IS  
4 PROBABLY THE MOST FAMOUS GREEK FAMILY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.  
5 BUT THEIR SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY AND THEIR GIVING IS SECOND TO  
6 NONE. SO LET'S GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]

7

8 **JOHN PAPADAKIS:** EF XHARISTO POLI. THE TWO CHILDREN I HAVE, TWO  
9 SONS WHO ARE NOT HERE, ONE'S A GUTTY LITTLE BRUIN. HE'S A  
10 STUDENT ATHLETE AT U.C.L.A., IF YOU CAN IMAGINE THAT. HIS  
11 NUMBER IS 30 IF HE GETS ON THE FIELD, SO YOU WILL KNOW HIM.  
12 AND THE OTHER IS MY MISGUIDED MISSILE, PEPPER PAPADAKIS, WHO  
13 IS SOMEWHERE ON THE AIRWAVES RIGHT NOW, MAKING FUN OF ALL OF  
14 THEM. I'M PARTICULARLY HAPPY THAT THE TWO GENTLEMEN FROM THE  
15 PORT ARE HERE, MIKE CHRISTIANSON AND OGGIE. WE FOUGHT FOR IT  
16 TOGETHER AND WON APPROVAL FOR A WATERFRONT PLAN WHICH WILL  
17 LIFT THE ENTIRE SOUTHERN PORTION OF THIS CITY OUT OF THE  
18 POVERTY, THE CRIME AND DRUG ADDICTION AND VIOLENCE THAT IT'S  
19 UNFAIRLY SUFFERED FOR FOR SO MANY DECADES AND ASK THE BOARD OF  
20 DIRECTORS, THIS IS A TRANSFORMATIONAL PROJECT. BY CREATING  
21 PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE WATER, YOU'RE GOING TO CREATE A GREAT  
22 HUMAN AVENUE ALONG THE SEA AND AN UNTOLD ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY  
23 FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE SOUTHERN PORTION OF L.A. WHO DESERVE THE  
24 ECONOMIC JUSTICE THAT THE OTHER PARTS OF THE CITY HAS ENJOYED  
25 OVER THE YEARS. WE FOUGHT FOR IT AND I'M PARTICULARLY PROUD



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1 THAT THEY'RE HERE. I CAN'T SAY ENOUGH FOR BEING THE SON OF A  
2 MOTHER LIKE THIS, WHO YOU ALL KNOW AND RESPECT. I'M BLESSED  
3 WITH MY WIFE AND MY FAMILY. I'M VERY GRATEFUL TO BE HERE  
4 BEFORE YOU TODAY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] THE.

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** WE'RE GOING TO ASK THE NEW CONSUL GENERAL TO JOIN  
7 US HERE, A FITTING TRIBUTE WITH THE GREAT PAPADAKIS FAMILY.  
8 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A PHOTO. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S SORT OF A HAPPY DAY BUT SAD DAY, MARIA  
11 SCHMIDT, I'M GOING TO ASK MARIA TO JOIN ME. FOR THE PAST 20  
12 YEARS, MARIA HAS BEEN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF VARIETY THE  
13 CHILDREN'S CHARITY TENT 25, BASED HERE IN LOS ANGELES. SHE WAS  
14 RECRUITED BACK IN 1986 BY A GENTLEMAN WE ALL KNOW, COME ON  
15 DOWN, MONTY HALL, FAMED TALK SHOW HOST AND INTERNATIONAL  
16 CHAIRMAN OF VARIETY, RECRUITED MARIA TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE  
17 BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR WHAT IS CALLED ONE OF THE OLDEST  
18 CHARITIES IN THE NATION. PRIOR TO HER RECRUITMENT SHE WAS AN  
19 INVESTMENT BANKER IN THE FINANCIAL INDUSTRY. SHE SERVED ON THE  
20 BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNTIL 1990 WHEN SHE BECAME THE EXECUTIVE  
21 DIRECTOR. MARIA'S HISTORY WITH THE COUNTY BEGAN THROUGH HER  
22 MEETING WINNIE JACKSON, ONE OF OUR RETIREES, AN ADVOCATE FOR  
23 CHILDREN. SHE RESPONDED VERY POSITIVELY BY BUILDING A  
24 PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY THAT HAS  
25 SPANNED MORE THAN 15 YEARS. I DON'T THINK ONE BOARD OFFICE HAS





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1 NOT HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK THROUGH MARIA ON BEHALF OF THE  
2 CHILDREN OF THIS GREAT COUNTY. SHE HAS BEEN A STRONG SUPPORTER  
3 OF ONE OF MY FAVORITE PROGRAMS, OPERATION READ, A PROGRAM THAT  
4 GIVES STUDENTS THE INCENTIVE TO READ AND WRITE WITH THE REWARD  
5 OF SEEING A FILM ACTUALLY PRIOR TO OPENING OF THE SAME TITLE.  
6 SHE HAS ASSISTED IN THIS OPERATION NUMEROUS TIMES BY WORKING  
7 WITH THE PUBLISHERS AND SPONSORS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE THE  
8 BOOKS NECESSARY FOR THE STUDENTS. BEFORE HER RETIREMENT LAST  
9 MONTH, SHE ASSISTED IN PURCHASING FOOD FOR NUMEROUS YOUNG  
10 PEOPLE IN NEED. THERE ARE SO MANY CONTRIBUTIONS THAT MARIA HAS  
11 MADE, BOTH PERSONALLY AS WELL AS THROUGH OBVIOUSLY THE  
12 CHILDREN'S CHARITY. WE ARE JUST SO GRATEFUL FOR HER  
13 WILLINGNESS TO BE A GREAT PARTNER WITH THIS COUNTY, AND  
14 PARTICULARLY WHEN YOU'RE DEALING WITH PROBABLY ONE OF THE  
15 UNINSURED POPULATIONS IN AMERICA AND THE MOST NEEDY, TO HAVE A  
16 PARTNER LIKE MARIA SCHMIDT IS A BLESSING TO ALL OF US. SO  
17 MARIA, WE WISH YOU THE VERY BEST, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY WE SAY  
18 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

19

20 **MARIA SCHMIDT:** I THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR KNABE, AND ALL  
21 THE SUPERVISORS HERE, FOR THE SUPPORT YOU'VE GIVEN VARIETY  
22 CHILDREN'S CHARITY THROUGHOUT THE YEARS. AND I WANT TO SAY  
23 EVEN THOUGH I WILL BE RETIRED, I WILL CONTINUE TO WORK AND  
24 VOLUNTEER FOR THE CAUSE OF OUR CHILDREN. THEY ARE THE MOST



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1 NEEDY. AND I'LL ALWAYS BE THERE FOR THEM. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

2 [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,  
5 YOUR PRESENTATIONS TODAY?

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL TODAY WE HAVE A LITTLE TERRIER MIX NAMED  
8 CHIP WHO'S FIVE YEARS OLD. TERRIER WITH A LITTLE DACHSHUND,  
9 I'M SURE. HE'S LOOKING FOR A HOME, SO YOU CAN CALL (562) 728 -  
10 4644. LITTLE CHIP CAN BE YOUR LITTLE ONE. ANYWAY, HE'S LOOKING  
11 FOR A HOME. MAYBE SOMEBODY WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT LITTLE CHIP,  
12 HE'S READY TO GO. GOT A FEW CHIPS IN HIM. HE'S A LITTLE HEAVY  
13 LITTLE CRITTER. DO YOU WANT LITTLE CHIP?

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THOSE ARE ALL YOUR PRESENTATIONS TODAY?  
16 THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOUR  
17 PRESENTATIONS THIS MORNING.

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR. I'M  
20 PLEASED TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE "KINGDOM  
21 DAY PARADE" IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, FOUNDED SOME 30 YEARS  
22 AGO, BEGAN IN THE CITY OF CARSON. AND WE ARE PLEASED TO HAVE  
23 THE FOUNDER AND CHAIRMAN, THE ONE AND ONLY LARRY GRANT, HERE,  
24 GRANDMASTER TONG SUK CHUN, THE PRESIDENT OF THE WORLD CULTURAL  
25 AND SPORTS FOUNDATION, CO-CHAIR OF THE "KINGDOM DAY PARADE"



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1 EDWARD KUH, THE PRESIDENT OF L.A.P.D. O.B.A. FOUNDATION. CHANG  
2 YUP LEE, WHO IS THE CHAIRMAN OF THE KOREAN AMERICAN FEDERATION  
3 OF LOS ANGELES, SANG WAN PARK, PRESIDENT OF KOREAN AMERICAN  
4 FEDERATION OF LOS ANGELES, BRITTANY WALLACE, THE QUEEN OF THE  
5 2010 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. "KINGDOM DAY PARADE", AND DEL  
6 HUFF, WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE "KINGDOM DAY PARADE" COMMITTEE.  
7 AND, FINALLY, KIM UNG HA, WHO IS A PART OF THE KOREAN DANCE  
8 COMPANY. PLEASE GIVE THEM ALL A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE.  
9 [APPLAUSE.] THE PURPOSE OF THE PARADE SIMPLY STATED HAS BEEN  
10 TO HONOR THE MEMORY OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. IT WAS IN  
11 1986 THAT THE PARADE FOUND ITS WAY TO THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES.  
12 AND ON MONDAY THE 18TH OF THIS YEAR MARKED THE 25TH  
13 ANNIVERSARY OF THIS PARADE'S ROUTE IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES.  
14 APPROXIMATELY 2.5 MILES, MAKING IT THE LONGEST SUCH PARADE OF  
15 ITS KIND IN THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION. AND OVER THE  
16 YEARS, THE PARADE HAS GROWN, COME SHINE. AND THIS YEAR IT WAS  
17 RAIN. AND SOMEBODY SAID, "DIDN'T IT RAIN, CHILDREN? DIDN'T IT  
18 RAIN?" AND, YET, THE PARADE WENT ON. BROADCAST LIVE ON CHANNEL  
19 7, A.B.C., AND THE PARADE, OVER THE YEARS, HAS FEATURED  
20 REPRESENTATIVES FROM LITERALLY ALL OVER THE WORLD. AND FOR THE  
21 PAST 20 YEARS, MR. GRANT HAS PARTNERED WITH GRANDMASTER TONG  
22 SUK CHUN TO PRODUCE THIS EVENT, INCORPORATING DIVERSE ELEMENTS  
23 OF OUR COMMUNITIES, OUR CULTURES, TO BRING MEANING IN THE  
24 CONTEMPORARY CONTEXT TO THE MESSAGE OF DR. KING HIMSELF. AND  
25 SO IT'S MY PLEASURE TO RECOGNIZE THE WORK OF THE FOUNDER OF



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1 THE "KINGDOM DAY PARADE" AND HIS CO-FOUNDER AND CO-CHAIR FOR  
2 THE WORK THAT THEY HAVE DONE, AND THAT WOULD BE TO GIVE  
3 APPROPRIATE ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO THE ONE AND ONLY LARRY GRANT FOR  
4 HIS STEADFASTNESS IN THE PROMOTION AND CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE  
5 AND THE WORK OF DR. KING THROUGH THIS EXCEPTIONAL PARADE.  
6 PLEASE GIVE MR. GRANT A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]  
7 THEN HIS CO-CHAIR, YOU MIGHT SAY ONE WHO HAS DISTINGUISHED  
8 HIMSELF IN HIS OWN RIGHT, GRANDMASTER TONG SUK CHUN FOR HIS  
9 STEADFASTNESS IN THE PROMOTION OF THIS EXCEPTIONAL CELEBRATION  
10 ON "KINGDOM DAY PARADE". GRANDMASTER? [APPLAUSE.] AND THEN THE  
11 KOREAN DANCE COMPANY IS TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED FOR THEIR  
12 CONTRIBUTION, AND SO KIM WA PAK, WE THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE  
13 AND WE WISH TO ACKNOWLEDGE YOU ON THIS SPECIAL DAY, AS WELL.  
14 THANK YOU FOR YOUR DEDICATION AND YOUR SERVICES TO THE CIVIC  
15 AFFAIRS OF OUR COMMUNITIES, AND WE PRESENT THIS TO YOU ON  
16 BEHALF OF THE ENTIRETY OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. [APPLAUSE.]  
17 MR. GRANT, WOULD YOU HAVE A WORD?

18

19 **LARRY GRANT:** THANK YOU, MR. SUPERVISOR. TESTING. I CAN'T HEAR  
20 MYSELF. I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT THERE WAS ONE CORRECTION THAT  
21 NEEDED TO BE MADE. THE PARADE WAS NOT STARTED IN THE CITY OF  
22 CARSON. IT WAS STARTED IN 1980 IN THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO,  
23 CALIFORNIA. AT THE TIME I WAS PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE  
24 OFFICER OF A COMMERCIAL BANK. BUT I'D LIKE TO THANK THE  
25 SUPERVISOR FOR RECOGNIZING ALL OF US TODAY. AND THANK HIM FOR



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1 ALL OF HIS SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THE YEARS IN ALL THE DIFFERENT  
2 POSITIONS THAT HE HAS HELD IN THE GREAT CITY OF LOS ANGELES.  
3 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY, VERY MUCH. WON'T YOU JOIN  
6 ME IN GIVING A VERY SPECIAL ROUND OF APPLAUSE TO OUR QUEEN FOR  
7 THIS YEAR? SHE DESERVES A BIG, BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. SHOW  
8 THIS YOUNG LADY SOME LOVE. COME FORWARD. [APPLAUSE.] IT'S A  
9 GOOD THING WHEN WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE YOUNG PEOPLE. SO HAVE JUST  
10 A FEW WORDS AND TELL THEM HOW SPECIAL THIS OPPORTUNITY TO BE  
11 QUEEN HAS BEEN TO YOU.

12

13 **BRITTANY WALLACE:** WELL, MY NAME IS BRITTANY WALLACE. I'M A  
14 THIRD-YEAR STUDENT AT CAL STATE DOMINGUEZ HILLS. I'M MAJORING  
15 IN BUSINESS, CONCENTRATING ON HUMAN RESOURCES. I'M THE 2010  
16 QUEEN OF THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. "KINGDOM DAY PARADE". I  
17 WAS INSPIRED BY DR. KING'S "I HAVE A DREAM" SPEECH. LIKE HIM,  
18 I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO SEE EQUALITY AMONG EVERYONE. HE IS A  
19 MAJOR INSPIRATION IN MY LIFE AND I WILL CONTINUE TO CARRY ON  
20 HIS DREAM. THANK YOU FOR THIS AMAZING OPPORTUNITY. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MADAME CHAIR, THAT  
23 CONCLUDES OUR PRESENTATION.

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.



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2     **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU.

3

4     **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IS IT A SPECIAL ORDER THAT  
5 WE'RE DOING? WE WANTED TO GET AN UPDATE FROM THE STORM? I'M  
6 NOT SURE WHO FROM PUBLIC WORKS IS HERE. GAIL IS HERE? IF WE  
7 COULD CALL-- AND I DON'T KNOW WHO ELSE IS JOINING HER. DO YOU  
8 WANT ME TO SET IT FOR 10:30? ALL RIGHT. WE'RE GOING TO SET  
9 THAT, SINCE IT'S SET FOR 10:30, WE'RE GOING TO WAIT FOR 10:30.  
10 OKAY. THEN WHY DON'T WE BEGIN WITH THE SPECIALS? SUPERVISOR  
11 YAROSLAVSKY? I THINK YOU'RE UP FIRST.

12

13     **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR, I'D LIKE TO ASK THE BOARD TO  
14 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF LAURIE SALTSMAN, THE MOTHER OF MY  
15 PLANNING DEPUTY BEN SALTSMAN, WHO PASSED AWAY ON SUNDAY AFTER  
16 A LONG ILLNESS. LAURIE WAS 54 YEARS OF AGE. SHE WAS BORN IN  
17 DENVER, COLORADO, MOVED TO LOS ANGELES AS A SMALL CHILD. HER  
18 EDUCATION INCLUDED AN UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY  
19 OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA CRUZ AND CORNELL UNIVERSITY NURSING  
20 SCHOOL. LATER AS A REGISTERED NURSE, SHE WORKED AT CHILDREN'S  
21 HOSPITAL WHERE SHE SPECIALIZED IN NEONATAL INTENSIVE CARE. SHE  
22 IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND JEFFREY, THREE SONS, BEN, WHO WORKS  
23 IN MY OFFICE AND HIS YOUNGER BROTHERS DANIEL AND JOSHUA, HER  
24 MOTHER BARBARA KRONGAUS AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS. I WANT TO  
25 MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF MIMI PERLOFF, CO-FOUNDER





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1 OF THE U.C.L.A. PROGRAM CALLED DESIGN FOR SHARING, WHO  
2 RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 95. MIMI WAS THE WIFE OF  
3 THE LATE HARVEY PERLOFF, THE DEAN OF THE FORMER GRADUATE  
4 SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE AND URBAN PLANNING AT U.C.L.A .AND  
5 KNOWN THE CAMPUS COMMUNITY AS THE GODMOTHER OF THE DEPARTMENTS  
6 OF URBAN PLANNING AND ARCHITECTURE. SHE WAS ALSO A NOTABLE  
7 PHILANTHROPIST WHO CONTRIBUTED GENEROUSLY TO THE U.C.L.A.  
8 MEDICAL SCHOOL AND THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY AT LARGE. SHE IS  
9 SURVIVED BY HER SONS JEFFREY AND GREGG, AND THREE  
10 GRANDCHILDREN, LISA, ALEX AND SPENSER. BOTH MIMI AND HARVEY  
11 PERLOFF WERE GREAT PERSONAL FRIENDS TO US AND FRIENDS OF OUR  
12 OFFICE WHO DID COUNTLESS WONDERFUL THINGS FOR OUR COUNTY OF  
13 LOS ANGELES. AND LASTLY JEAN SIMMONS, LONG TIME RESIDENT OF  
14 SANTA MONICA, IN AN INTERNATIONALLY SUCCESSFUL BRITISH ACTRESS  
15 AND FILM STAR WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 80 DUE TO LUNG  
16 CANCER. BEST KNOWN FOR HER STARRING ROLES IN SUCH FILMS AS  
17 "HAMLET," "GUYS AND DOLLS," "ELMER GANTRY," AND "SPARTACUS,"  
18 SHE WORKED WITH PROMINENT LEADING MEN, INCLUDING SIR LAURENCE  
19 OLIVIER, FRANK SINATRA, MARLON BRANDO, BURT LANCASTER, KIRK  
20 DOUGLAS, RICHARD BURTON AND GREGORY PECK. SHE EARNED HER FIRST  
21 TWO ACADEMY AWARD NOMINATIONS FOR HER TURN AS HAMLET'S OPHELIA  
22 AT THE AGE 18. SHE APPEARED IN MORE THAN 100 FEATURE FILMS AND  
23 T.V. PRODUCTIONS OVER THE COURSE OF A CAREER LASTING MORE THAN  
24 SIX DECADES. CONTINUED WORKING UNTIL FAIRLY RECENTLY. SHE IS



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1 SURVIVED BY HER TWO DAUGHTERS, TRACY GRANGER AND KATE BROOKS.  
2 THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR, WHY DON'T WE TAKE UP THE  
7 I.H.S.S. MATTER, ITEM 14, I THINK IT IS?

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE DO HAVE SOME PEOPLE WHO WISH  
10 TO ADDRESS THIS. DO YOU WANT TO SPEAK BEFOREHAND? LET ME LET  
11 ME ASK THESE PEOPLE TO JOIN US. FIRST OF ALL, WE HAVE HRIPSIME  
12 TAMAZYAN FOLLOWED BY JULIE CHOW, THEN SHIRLEY LEONARD, AND  
13 FINALLY DINA LOPEZ. IF THEY WOULD EACH JOIN US, PLEASE. HELLO.  
14 IF YOU'D STATE YOUR NAME AND PLEASE PROCEED.

15

16 **HRIPSIME TAMAZYAN:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS  
17 HRIPSIME TAMAZYAN AND I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES, WHICH IS  
18 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S DISTRICT. I, TOO, AM PROUD L.A.  
19 COUNTY HOME CARE PROVIDER AND MEMBER OF U.L.T.C.W. THANK YOU  
20 FOR ALLOWING US TO SPEAK BEFORE YOU TODAY. WE WANTED TO BE  
21 HERE TODAY TO SIMPLY REMIND ALL OF YOU OF THE IMPORTANT ROLE  
22 HAVING A STRONG HEALTHCARE PLAN PLAYS IN THE LIVES OF ALL OF  
23 OUR MEMBERS. WHETHER WE ARE CURRENTLY COVERED BY THE COUNTY  
24 HEALTHCARE PLAN OR WE HAVE TO MEET OUR THRESHOLD AND QUALIFY  
25 SOON, HAVING CONTINUED ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE IS ESSENTIAL TO



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1 ALL OF US AND ENSURING THE COUNTY DELIVERY OF QUALITY CARE TO  
2 THOSE WE SERVE. AND FOR MEMBERS LIKE SHIRLEY LEONARD, IT'S  
3 BECAUSE OF OUR HEALTHCARE THAT SHE IS GOING TO WIN HER BATTLE  
4 WITH CANCER. IN CLOSING, I, TOO, WOULD LIKE TO ASK THAT YOU  
5 CAREFULLY CONSIDER THIS ITEM AND TAKE THE ACTION NEEDED TO  
6 ENSURE THAT CARE REMAINS AVAILABLE FOR HOME CARE PROVIDERS NOW  
7 AND IN THE FUTURE. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT? MISS CHOW?

10

11 **JULIE CHOW:** [SPEAKING CHINESE]

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** HOLD ON. DO WE HAVE SOMEONE THAT COULD  
14 HELP US TRANSLATE? YOU WILL.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** I WILL TRANSLATE. MY NAME IS JAMES.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, SUPERVISOR. MY NAME IS JULIE CHOW, AND I AM  
21 PROUD MEMBER TO BE MEMBER OF S.E.I.U.

22

23 **JULIE CHOW:** [SPEAKING CHINESE].

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1 **SPEAKER:** I ALSO TO BE A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER IN THE L.A.  
2 COUNTY.

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4 **JULIE CHOW:** [SPEAKING CHINESE].

5

6 **SPEAKER:** I LIVE IN CHINATOWN AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA IS MY  
7 COUNSELOR SUPERVISOR-- COUNTY SUPERVISOR.

8

9 **JULIE CHOW:** [SPEAKING CHINESE].

10

11 **SPEAKER:** I AM PLEASED TO BE HERE TODAY TO SERVE. THAT'S WHY I  
12 THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO YOU, SIR.

13

14 **JULIE CHOW:** [SPEAKING CHINESE].

15

16 **SPEAKER:** TO ENSURE THAT OUR HEALTHCARE PLAN REMAINS STRONG AND  
17 BE ABLE TO SERVE CURRENT AND FUTURE CAREGIVERS.

18

19 **JULIE CHOW:** [SPEAKING CHINESE].

20

21 **SPEAKER:** AS MANY PEOPLE TELL YOU, ONE BENEFIT OF STRONG,  
22 CONSISTENT HEALTHCARE PLANS TO BE ABLE TO HAVE A STRONG  
23 RELATIONSHIP WITH YOUR PARTNER.

24

25 **JULIE CHOW:** [SPEAKING CHINESE].



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2 **SPEAKER:** HOWEVER, FOR THOSE OF US WHO DOESN'T SPEAK ENGLISH,  
3 THE RELATIONSHIP WITH OUR DOCTOR WILL PLAY AN EVEN GREATER  
4 ROLE.

5

6 **JULIE CHOW:** [SPEAKING CHINESE].

7

8 **SPEAKER:** FOR EXAMPLE, AS A CHINESE SPEAKER, OUR PRIMARY CARE  
9 DOCTORS OFTEN ONLY ACCESS WE HAVE CARE, SINCE OTHER DOCTORS,  
10 INCLUDING EMERGENCY DOCTORS, DOESN'T SPEAK CHINESE OR DOESN'T  
11 SPEAK ANY OTHER DIALECT.

12

13 **JULIE CHOW:** [SPEAKING CHINESE].

14

15 **SPEAKER:** GETTING SICK IS SCARY ENOUGH.

16

17 **JULIE CHOW:** [SPEAKING CHINESE].

18

19 **SPEAKER:** NOT BEING ABLE TO COMMUNICATE WITH DOCTORS IS JUST AS  
20 FRIGHTENING.

21

22 **JULIE CHOW:** [SPEAKING CHINESE].

23

24 **SPEAKER:** BECAUSE OF HEALTHCARE, WE KNOW WHO TO CALL FOR HELP.

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1 **JULIE CHOW:** [SPEAKING CHINESE].

2

3 **SPEAKER:** THAT'S IMPORTANT OUR HEALTHCARE REMAIN STRONG FOR  
4 TODAY AND TOMORROW'S HEALTHCARE PROVIDER.

5

6 **JULIE CHOW:** [SPEAKING CHINESE].

7

8 **SPEAKER:** BECAUSE IT IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR US WHO DOESN'T SPEAK  
9 ENGLISH AT ALL TO HAVE A LONG-STANDING RELATIONSHIP WITH OUR  
10 DOCTORS.

11

12 **JULIE CHOW:** [SPEAKING CHINESE].

13

14 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ARE MISS LEONARD AND MISS LOPEZ  
17 NOT HERE? IS THERE ANY REASON THEY HAVEN'T COME UP? PLEASE  
18 PROCEED.

19

20 **SHIRLEY LEONARD:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SHIRLEY LEONARD. AND  
21 I'M A HOME CARE PROVIDER AND MEMBER OF UNITED LONG TERM CARE  
22 WORKERS' UNION AND I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES, WHICH IS SUPERVISOR  
23 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS'S DISTRICT. I WANT TO SHARE WITH YOU THIS  
24 MORNING MY PERSONAL STORY, A STORY THAT REINFORCES WHY HAVING  
25 HEALTHCARE IS SO IMPORTANT. OVER THREE MONTHS, THREE OR FOUR





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1 MONTHS AGO, I WAS DIAGNOSED WITH ENDOMETRIAL CANCER. NO ONE  
2 KNOWS WHAT IT'S REALLY LIKE TO HEAR THE WORD CANCER UNTIL IT'S  
3 YOUR DOCTOR TELLING YOU THAT YOU'VE GOT IT. I'M A FIGHTER. BUT  
4 I HAVE TO SAY THAT AT THAT MOMENT, I WASN'T SURE WHAT TO DO  
5 AND HOW I WAS GOING TO FIGHT THIS. BUT THANKS TO THE  
6 HEALTHCARE THAT'S PROVIDED TO US AND TO MY DOCTORS, I QUICKLY  
7 FOUND OUT WHAT TO DO IN TIME. ON NOVEMBER 23RD, JUST THREE  
8 DAYS BEFORE THANKSGIVING, I HAD SURGERY. I HAD A HYSTERECTOMY  
9 TO REMOVE THE MASS THAT THEY HAD FOUND. I AM NOW UNDERGOING  
10 SIX TREATMENTS OF CHEMOTHERAPY EVERY THREE WEEKS TO ENSURE  
11 THAT THE CANCER IS LONG GONE. I KNOW THAT I AM ONE OF THE  
12 FORTUNATE ONES BECAUSE AS A LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN HOME  
13 CAREGIVER, I HAVE HEALTHCARE. AND IT WAS BECAUSE OF THE  
14 PREVENTATIVE CARE CHECKUPS THAT I RECEIVED THAT MY PRIMARY  
15 CARE DOCTOR CAUGHT THE CANCER IN TIME. WITHOUT HEALTH  
16 INSURANCE, I AM NOT SURE WHERE I WOULD BE TODAY. I CERTAINLY  
17 WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN GETTING REGULAR CHECKUPS MAYBE, AND MOST  
18 LIKELY WHEN THE CANCER WAS DISCOVERED, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN, OR  
19 MIGHT HAVE BEEN, TOO LATE. BECAUSE OF MY HEALTHCARE AS AN  
20 I.H.S. CAREGIVER, I AM HERE TODAY AND I WILL BE ABLE TO  
21 CONTINUE TO PROVIDE MY CONSUMER WITH THE CARE THAT THEY NEED  
22 TO LIVE AT HOME. AS YOU CONSIDER THIS ITEM TODAY, I URGE YOU  
23 TO KEEP MY STORY IN MIND AND THE IMPORTANCE OF MAKING SURE  
24 THAT THE FUTURE CAREGIVERS DON'T GO WITHOUT IT. THANK YOU.

25



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1     **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MISS LOPEZ?

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3     **DINA LOPEZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH].

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5     **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS DINA LOPEZ  
6     AND I LIVE IN THE CITY OF LANCASTER AND MY SUPERVISOR IS  
7     HONORABLE MR. ANTONOVICH.

8

9     **DINA LOPEZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH].

10

11    **SPEAKER:** AS I AM AN L.A. HOME CARE PROVIDER, I DO NOT  
12    CURRENTLY QUALIFY FOR HEALTHCARE BECAUSE I DO NOT MEET THE  
13    HOURS THRESHOLD.

14

15    **DINA LOPEZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH].

16

17    **SPEAKER:** HOWEVER, I DO UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR  
18    HEALTHCARE PLAN ON THE LIVES OF MY CO-WORKERS.

19

20    **DINA LOPEZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH].

21

22    **SPEAKER:** AND HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO MAKE SURE THAT IF ALL  
23    AVAILABLE WORKERS MEET THE CRITERIA AND ARE ELIGIBLE TO JOIN  
24    THE HEALTHCARE PLAN.

25



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1     **DINA LOPEZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH].

2

3     **SPEAKER:** IN THE WORK THAT WE DO, HAVING DEPENDABLE HEALTHCARE  
4     IS VERY VITAL FOR THE SIMPLE REASON THAT WHEN WE'RE OUT SICK,  
5     THERE'S OFTEN NO ONE TO TAKE CARE OF OUR CONSUMERS.

6

7     **DINA LOPEZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH].

8

9     **SPEAKER:** THAT IS WHY HAVING HEALTHCARE THAT PROVIDES  
10    PREVENTATIVE CARE AS WELL AS TREATMENT FOR THE FLU AND COLD IS  
11    NOT ONLY IMPORTANT TO US--

12

13    **DINA LOPEZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH].

14

15    **SPEAKER:** SO WE CAN ASSURE QUALITY OF CARE FOR OUR PATIENTS.

16

17    **DINA LOPEZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH].

18

19    **SPEAKER:** AND PREVENTIVE CARE IS VERY IMPORTANT TO US FOR THE  
20    WORK THAT WE DO BECAUSE THE HEALTHIER WE MAINTAIN OURSELVES,  
21    THE MORE DEPENDABLE, THE MORE RELIABLE, AND THE BETTER QUALITY  
22    OF CARE WE'RE ABLE TO PROVIDE TO OUR PATIENTS.

23

24    **DINA LOPEZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH].

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1 **SPEAKER:** THAT IS WHY I ASK YOU THAT YOU CAREFULLY CONSIDER  
2 THIS ITEM AND TAKE ACTION TO ENSURE THAT WHEN I DO QUALIFY FOR  
3 THIS CARE, IT'S AVAILABLE TO ME AND FOR MY CO-WORKERS.

4

5 **DINA LOPEZ:** GRACIAS.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. THAT CONCLUDES THE  
8 TESTIMONY. SUPERVISOR KNABE?

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** CAN I ASK SOMEONE FROM THE DEPARTMENT? WELL,  
11 SUPPORTING THIS PARTICULAR REQUEST AND UNDERSTANDING THE NEED,  
12 GIVEN THE INCREASED COST OF THE HEALTHCARE PLAN, AND THE  
13 DECREASE IN THE NUMBER OF HOURS, IS THERE ANY WAY THAT YOU CAN  
14 EITHER EXPLAIN OR GUARANTEE THAT WE WON'T POTENTIALLY BE STUCK  
15 DOWN THE ROAD WITH THE COST OF THIS? PARTICULARLY SINCE THE  
16 STATE IS LOOKING AT LOOKING AT ELIMINATING THE ENTIRE PROGRAM.  
17 AND FOR THOSE OF US THAT WERE HERE ORIGINALLY WHEN THIS  
18 PROGRAM STARTED, IT WAS A 5 PERCENT MATCH FROM THE COUNTY, 95  
19 PERCENT FROM THE STATE. IT HAS JUST INCREASINGLY GOTTEN BIGGER  
20 AND BIGGER AND BIGGER AND THE FOLKS COME THIS WAY, WHEN  
21 REALITY IT IS CREATED OUT OF THE STATE. SO I SUPPORT THIS, I  
22 HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH IT. BUT THIS IS ANOTHER ONE SINCE THEY'RE  
23 TALKING ABOUT ELIMINATING THE ENTIRE PROGRAM.

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1   **PHILIP BROWNING:** YES, SIR. PHILIP BROWNING, D.P.S.S. WE ONLY  
2   PAY FOR HEALTHCARE FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE  
3   PROVIDERS. SO IF THE STATE WERE TO ELIMINATE THE PROGRAM,  
4   THERE WOULD BE NO ELIGIBLE PROVIDERS. WE'RE CURRENTLY PAYING  
5   FOR ABOUT 35,000 I.H.S.S. PROVIDERS FOR HEALTHCARE RIGHT NOW.  
6   SO WE WOULDN'T BE PAYING FOR ANY OF THOSE IF THE STATE WERE TO  
7   ELIMINATE THE PROGRAM. ALSO, IF A PERSON IS NOT ELIGIBLE-- AND  
8   BY THAT I MEAN THEY'RE NOT APPROVED BY US, THERE WOULD BE NO  
9   WAY FOR THEM TO GET SERVICES. WE DO HAVE A TERMINATION CLAUSE  
10  IN OUR AGREEMENT WHICH IS A 30-DAY FOR CONVENIENCE TERMINATION  
11  SO WE COULD GET OUT OF THIS ANY TIME WE WANTED WITHIN 30 DAYS.

12

13  **SUP. KNABE:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. ANYTHING ELSE?

14

15  **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR? SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

16

17  **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** QUESTION RAISED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE, IT  
18  HIGHLIGHTS THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE COUNTY CONTINUES TO SHARE  
19  ITS PART OF THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAKING SURE THAT THE FRAIL,  
20  THE ELDERLY, THE INFIRM ARE PROPERLY CARED FOR. AND THE  
21  SEVERITY OF THE FISCAL CRISIS IS NOTHING TO IGNORE, DISMISS  
22  AND/OR THINK THAT IT DOESN'T HAVE SERIOUS RAMIFICATIONS FOR  
23  HOW WE BUDGET. BUT I WISH TO HASTEN TO ADD BUT FOR THE WORK OF  
24  HOME CARE PROVIDERS, OUR CIRCUMSTANCE WOULD BE MORE PROFOUND  
25  IN TERMS OF THE FISCAL CRISIS BECAUSE OF THE CONDITION IN



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1 WHICH THOSE FOR WHOM THEY CARE WOULD FIND THEMSELVES. AND WE  
2 WOULD ULTIMATELY BE RESPONSIBLE. THIS ULTIMATELY IS ONE OF THE  
3 MOST COST-EFFECTIVE WAYS FOR MANAGING RUN-AWAY COSTS AND  
4 EXPENSES AND DEALING WITH THE MOST HUMANE WAY POSSIBLE FOR  
5 THOSE PATIENTS, MANY OF WHOM WE CARE ABOUT VERY DEEPLY. AND  
6 THE BEST WAY TO SEND THAT MESSAGE IS TO ASSURE THAT THEY ARE  
7 PROVIDED FOR BY MAKING SURE THAT THE PROVIDERS ARE TAKEN CARE  
8 OF IN THE BEST WAY WE CAN, AS WELL. SO I THINK THE MATTER IS  
9 BEFORE US. I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE WORK OF THE DEPARTMENT,  
10 THE WORK OF THE BOARD, FOR CONTINUING ITS COMMITMENT EVEN WHEN  
11 THERE'S BEEN RETRENCHMENT, YOU MIGHT SAY, FOR REASONS THAT ARE  
12 ARGUABLY UNDERSTANDABLE ON THE PART OF THE STATE. THIS BOARD,  
13 THIS COUNTY, HAS CONTINUED TO GO FORWARD. AND I THINK THAT'S A  
14 WISE DECISION FOR HUMANE REASONS AS WELL AS FISCAL REASONS.  
15 AND I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT FOR THE RECORD, THESE WORKERS  
16 ARE VERY IMPORTANT TO THE WELL-BEING OF OUR CITIZENRY.

17  
18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. ALL RIGHT. ON THAT ITEM, MOVED  
19 BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-  
20 THOMAS. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM. ALL  
21 RIGHT. WE DO NOW HAVE A SET ITEM AT 10:30. I'D LIKE TO ASK IF  
22 I COULD HAVE OUR PUBLIC WORKS AS WELL AS OUR CHIEF JOIN US AND  
23 THE SHERIFF, ALL JOIN US FOR PRESENTATIONS ON AN UPDATE ON THE  
24 WINTER STORMS. PLEASE PROCEED, HOWEVER YOU'D LIKE TO BEGIN.





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1   **GAIL FARBER:** THANK YOU. GAIL FARBER PUBLIC WORKS. THE FEDERAL  
2   INCIDENT UNIFIED COMMAND WAS ACTIVATED AND DEPLOYED AT THE  
3   FIRE CAMP 2 ON MONDAY, JANUARY 18TH. I'M JUST GOING TO GIVE  
4   YOU A QUICK RECAP OF LAST WEEK'S SERIES OF STORMS IN THE AREA  
5   AND SOME OF THE DAMAGE ASSESSMENT. THE UNIFIED COMMAND,  
6   INCLUDING SHERIFF, FIRE AND PUBLIC WORKS, IMPLEMENTED ITS  
7   COMMUNICATIONS COMPONENT. THE UNIFIED COMMAND REMAINED AT FIRE  
8   CAMP 2 UNTIL WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20TH WHEN IT WAS MOVED TO THE  
9   L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT FACILITY IN PACOIMA. PUBLIC WORKS  
10   MOBILE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER WAS ALSO MOVED FROM  
11   ALHAMBRA TO PACOIMA ON JANUARY 21 AND USED AS A BASE FOR  
12   OPERATIONS FOR PUBLIC WORKS INCIDENT COMMAND. PUBLIC WORKS  
13   DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS CENTER WAS ALSO ACTIVATED ON MONDAY,  
14   JANUARY 18TH. EVACUATIONS WERE ORDERED ON TUESDAY, JANUARY  
15   19TH FOR THE PARADISE VALLEY AREA OF LA CANADA-FLINTRIDGE AS A  
16   PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE AGAINST ANTICIPATED DEBRIS FLOWS AFTER  
17   THE MULULLEY DEBRIS BASIN REACHED CAPACITY. THE EVACUATION  
18   ORDER WAS LIFTED QUICKLY ABOUT FOUR HOURS LATER. ADDITIONAL  
19   EVACUATIONS, AS YOU KNOW, WERE ORDERED ON THURSDAY, JANUARY  
20   21ST FOR AREAS OF LA CANADA-FLINTRIDGE, LA CRESCENTA AND  
21   ACTON, AS A PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE AGAINST FORECASTED HEAVY  
22   RAINS AND ANTICIPATED DEBRIS FLOWS. HAPPY TO REPORT THAT NO  
23   MAJOR DEBRIS FLOW INCIDENTS OCCURRED DURING THE WEEKLONG  
24   EVENT. IN THE AREAS OF PUBLIC OUTREACH, PUBLIC OUTREACH BEGAN  
25   ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 17TH IN ADVANCE OF ANTICIPATED STORM EVENTS



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1 WITH MEDIA INTERVIEWS AND NOTICES OF ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST  
2 ROAD CLOSURES. OUTREACH CONTINUED THROUGHOUT THE WEEK  
3 UTILIZING A JOINT COORDINATED PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS ELEMENT OF  
4 THE COORDINATED AGENCY RECOVERY EFFORT OR C.A.R.E. FOUR AGENCY  
5 P.I.O.S WERE DEPLOYED UNDER UNIFIED COMMAND TO HANDLE MEDIA  
6 REQUESTS AND ENQUIRIES AND TO DRAFT AND TO SEND MEDIA ALERTS  
7 AND UPDATES. DURING THE WEEKLONG EVENT, P.I.O.S COMPLETED  
8 NUMEROUS MEDIA INTERVIEWS, INCLUDING APPEARANCES ON ALL  
9 NATIONAL MORNING T.V. SHOWS. DURING THE EVENT, THE UNIFIED  
10 COMMAND P.I.O.S RELEASED A TOTAL OF 15 MEDIA RELEASES. UNIFIED  
11 COMMAND ALSO ORGANIZED AND CONDUCTED DAILY MEDIA BRIEFINGS AND  
12 CONFERENCES INCLUDING A BRIEFING AND MEDIA CONFERENCE FOR THE  
13 GOVERNOR. THE C.A.R.E. WEBSITE WAS USED TO POST ALL THE MEDIA  
14 AND PUBLIC ADVISORIES. AND ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21ST, THE  
15 C.A.R.E. WEBSITE RECEIVED OVER 21,000 VISITS. SINCE ITS  
16 ESTABLISHMENT IN OCTOBER 2009, THE WEBSITE HAS RECEIVED MORE  
17 THAN 38,000 VISITS. A TOTAL OF 793 USERS SIGNED UP TO RECEIVE  
18 EMAIL ALERTS THROUGH THE D.P.W. ROAD CLOSURE SERVICE. AN  
19 ADDITIONAL 711 USERS HAVE REGISTERED TO RECEIVE DEBRIS AND MUD  
20 FLOW FORECAST ALERTS THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT'S E-NOTIFY SYSTEM.  
21 THE C.A.R.E. WEBSITE WAS USED EXCLUSIVELY TO MANAGE THE  
22 LIFTING OF EVACUATION ORDERS BEGINNING ON FRIDAY, JANUARY  
23 22ND. IN THE AREA OF RAINFALL, WE RECEIVED-- IT VARIED FROM A  
24 TOTAL OF 3-1/2 INCHES IN ANTELOPE VALLEY AND DOWNTOWN L.A. TO  
25 OVER 12 INCHES AT COGSWELL DAM, AND LA CANADA FLINTRIDGE



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1 RECEIVED ALMOST 7 INCHES OF RAINFALL. IN THE AREAS OF WATER  
2 CONSERVATION, WE ESTIMATE THAT WE WILL HAVE CONSERVED ENOUGH  
3 WATER FROM THIS STORM TO SERVE 150,000 FAMILIES OF FOUR FOR  
4 THE COMING YEAR. OUR INITIAL DAMAGES ASSESSMENT INCLUDES A  
5 FLOOD CONTROL SYSTEM DAMAGE OF APPROXIMATELY \$500,000 OF  
6 DEBRIS REMOVAL, AND CLEANUP AND 7-1/2 MILLION DOLLARS. OUR  
7 INITIAL DAMAGE ASSESSMENT TO OUR TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM IS  
8 ABOUT \$1 MILLION IN DEBRIS REMOVAL, AND CLEANUP AT ABOUT \$8  
9 MILLION, BRINGING OUR ROUGH ESTIMATE TO DATE OF ASSESSMENTS  
10 CONTINUE TO BE ABOUT \$20 MILLION. OVER THE 28 DEBRIS BASINS IN  
11 THE AREA RECEIVED FLOWS IN THE PROCESS OF BEING CLEANED. THE  
12 BASINS INTERCEPTED APPROXIMATELY 500,000 CUBIC YARDS OF  
13 MATERIAL. TO PUT THAT IN CONTEXT, A TRUCK CAN CARRY ABOUT 10  
14 CUBIC YARDS, SO THAT'S ABOUT 50,000 TRUCK LOADS OF MATERIAL  
15 HAVE BEEN RECEIVED IN OUR DEBRIS BASINS. EROSION AND REPAIRS  
16 AT SEVERAL OF OUR DAMS AND SPREADING GROUNDS, ALL OF OUR MAJOR  
17 DAMS CONTINUE TO RECEIVE DEBRIS AS WELL AND WE'LL BE BRINGING  
18 IN THE ESTIMATES FOR ACCELERATING SEDIMENTATION REMOVAL IN OUR  
19 DAM SITES. WE ALSO HAD THE EMERGENCY REPLACEMENT OF 50 FOOT  
20 SECTION OF CHANNEL WALL IN THE CITY OF CARSON, CURRENTLY  
21 UNDERWAY USING AN EMERGENCY CONTRACTOR. WE ALSO HAVE A 20-FOOT  
22 SECTION OF ANGELES FOREST HIGHWAY APPROXIMATELY TWO MILES  
23 NORTH OF ANGELES CREST HIGHWAY, WAS WASHED OUT AND WILL TAKE  
24 UP TO SEVERAL WEEKS, POSSIBLY FOUR TO SIX WEEKS, TO REPAIR  
25 USING COUNTY FORCES. AS AN UPDATE ON OUR ROAD CLOSURES,



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1 ANGELES FOREST HIGHWAY, BIG TUJUNGA CANYON ROAD, UPPER BIG  
2 TUJUNGA CANYON ROAD ARE CLOSED DUE TO PLUGGED INLETS AND  
3 DEBRIS ON THE ROADWAYS. THERE'S A MULTITUDE OF ROADS ALSO  
4 CLOSED IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. SNOW ACCUMULATIONS AT THE TOP  
5 OF BIG PINES HIGHWAYS TOTALED APPROXIMATELY 5 FEET. BIG PINES  
6 HIGHWAY AND TABLE MOUNTAIN ROAD WERE OPEN PRIOR TO THIS  
7 WEEKEND'S VERY HEAVY TRAFFIC TO THE SNOW AREAS. WE ALSO  
8 EXPERIENCED IN BEACHES AND HARBORS, THE MARVIN BRUD BIKE PATH  
9 IS CLOSED DUE TO MASSIVE SAND PILES. AND WE ANTICIPATE  
10 REOPENING ON JANUARY 26TH. WITH THAT, I'LL TURN THAT OVER TO  
11 OUR SHERIFF AND FIRE WITH SOME OF OUR UPDATES.

12

13 **NEIL TYLER:** HI, I'M CHIEF NEIL TYLER WITH THE SHERIFF'S  
14 DEPARTMENT. THE PRIMARY THING THAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
15 DID DURING THIS EMERGENCY IS BE PREPARED TO HELP THE PLANNING  
16 OF THE NECESSITY OF EVACUATIONS. AND THE THREE AGENCIES WORKED  
17 VERY WELL TOGETHER. IN FACT, I'VE NEVER WORKED SO WELL WITH  
18 FIRE OR PUBLIC WORKS IN MY LIFE. WE COLLOCATED. WE WERE  
19 IMMEDIATELY ACCESSIBLE TO EACH OTHER AT ALL TIMES. AND THE  
20 COMMUNICATIONS WERE EXCELLENT. SO WE KIND OF FEEL THAT'S PART  
21 OF THE REASON WHY THE RESPONSE TO THIS INCIDENT WENT PRETTY  
22 WELL AND PRETTY SMOOTHLY. I DON'T HAVE A LOT TO ADD TO WHAT  
23 GAIL ALREADY ADDRESSED AND I DON'T WANT TO STEP ON THE FIRE  
24 CHIEF'S THUNDER. I WILL SAY THAT WE DID EVACUATE OR WE VISITED  
25 519 HOMES IN ACTON, LA CANADA-FLINTRIDGE AND LA CRESCENTA AND



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1 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ISSUING EVACUATION ORDERS. WE ACHIEVED  
2 ABOUT A 75 PERCENT COMPLIANCE RATE, BECAUSE WHEN WE KNOCK ON  
3 THE DOORS, WE ASK THE PEOPLE, "ARE YOU LEAVING OR NOT? WE ARE  
4 ORDERING YOU TO LEAVE." OF COURSE, THIS IS AMERICA AND THEY  
5 HAVE A RIGHT TO STAY UNLESS THEY CHOOSE TO. UNLESS THE DANGER  
6 IS IMMINENT. WHICH IN THESE CASES, IT WASN'T. SO WE DID HAVE  
7 ABOUT 25 PERCENT OF THE RESIDENTS WE VISITED ELECT TO STAY IN  
8 THEIR HOMES. WE APPRECIATED THE ONES WHO DID LEAVE BECAUSE IT  
9 IS A PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUE THAT THEY REMAINED-- THAT THEY LEFT  
10 AND IT'S A PUBLIC SAFETY THREAT IN SOME WAYS THAT THE PEOPLE  
11 WHO DIDN'T LEAVE ACTUALLY DID STAY. THE EVACUATION LASTED, AS  
12 GAIL MENTIONED, FOR APPROXIMATELY TWO DAYS. I KNOW THERE WAS  
13 SOME CONCERN EXPRESSED AT OUR LAST PRESS CONFERENCE ABOUT THE  
14 FACT THAT NOTHING SO DRAMATIC HAPPENED THAT CAUSED PEOPLE TO  
15 UNDERSTAND IN EVERY CASE WHY THE EVACUATIONS WERE DEEMED  
16 NECESSARY. AND ABOUT THE ONLY THING I COULD THINK OF TO SAY IN  
17 RESPONSE TO THAT IS THAT KIND OF REASONING IS SORT OF LIKE  
18 DECIDING THAT BECAUSE YOU'VE NEVER BEEN IN A CAR CRASH YOU'RE  
19 NOT GOING TO WEAR A SAFETY BELT. WE EVACUATED PEOPLE ON A  
20 SCIENTIFIC ASSESSMENT ABOUT THE RISK. THAT OF COURSE IS NOT A  
21 CERTAINTY. BUT THE RAINFALL SUFFICIENCY WERE INTENSE THAT THE  
22 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS CIVIL ENGINEERS WERE CONVINCED THAT  
23 THERE WAS A POSSIBILITY OR EVEN IN SOME CASES A LIKELIHOOD OF  
24 EARTH FAILURE. EARTH FAILURE DID OCCUR IN THE MOUNTAINS. EARTH  
25 FAILURE DID OCCUR IN SOME OF THE COMMUNITIES, NOT IN THE WAY



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1 THAT WOULD MAKE THE EVACUATIONS LOOK OBVIOUS AS TO WHY, BUT ON  
2 A SCALE THAT CONVINCED US THAT WE WERE WELL-JUSTIFIED AND  
3 JUDICIOUS IN OUR DECISION TO DO THE EVACUATIONS. SO WE'RE  
4 ASKING PEOPLE FOR THE NEXT EVENT, IF THERE IS ONE, AND THERE'S  
5 A GOOD CHANCE OF A SERIES OF SUCCESSIVE STORMS INTENSE ENOUGH  
6 TO CAUSE THE SAME KIND OF CONCERN, WITH THE WATERSHED THAT IS  
7 VIRTUALLY COMPLETELY DESTROYED IN TERMS OF VEGETATION COVER,  
8 TO PLEASE LEAVE THEIR HOMES. WE DID GET GOOD COOPERATION FOR  
9 THE PUBLIC AND NOT COMING UP AND FLOCKING TO THE AREA IN  
10 DROVES, SO WE HAD BIG CROWD CONTROL PROBLEMS WITH UNINVOLVED  
11 PEOPLE. AND WE APPRECIATE THAT TOO. AND UNLESS THERE ARE  
12 QUESTIONS, I'LL ASK CHIEF FREEMAN TO CONTINUE.

13  
14 **CHIEF P. MICHAEL FREEMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MORNING. GOOD  
15 MORNING. CHIEF FREEMAN, L.A. COUNTY FIRE. AGAIN, PART OF THE  
16 UNIFIED COMMAND FOR THIS INCIDENT. THE DEPARTMENT STAFF, IN  
17 ADDITION TO ITS REGULAR DAILY STAFFING, APPROXIMATELY 300  
18 ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL EACH DAY THAT SCALED BACK SLIGHTLY ON THE  
19 DAYS WHERE THE RAIN PREDICTION WAS NOT QUITE AS GREAT. BUT AT  
20 THE HEIGHT OF THE ACTIVITY, WE HAD THREE SWIFT WATER  
21 HELICOPTER TEAMS STAFFED AND DEPLOYED, FIVE SWIFT-WATER GROUND  
22 UNITS, 17 TYPE 4 ENGINES, WHICH ARE TWO-PERSON PATROLS THAT  
23 PROVIDED ONGOING PATROL IN THE POTENTIALLY IMPACTED AREAS TO  
24 PROVIDE INTELLIGENCE AND INFORMATION BACK TO THE COMMAND  
25 CENTER. WE HAD FOUR DOZER TEAMS ON STAND BY, TWO URBAN SEARCH





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1 AND RESCUE TASKFORCES, AND AN URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM OF  
2 21 PERSONNEL. IN ADDITION TO THAT, THE STAFFING FOR THE  
3 INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM WAS PROVIDED. AND THIS WAS ALL IN  
4 FULFILLMENT OF A PLAN THAT YOUR BOARD, WITH THE FORESIGHT OF  
5 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND YOUR SUPPORT, WAS A PLAN THAT WAS  
6 PUT INTO PLACE AS EARLY AS LATE AUGUST FOR THE POTENTIAL OF  
7 THESE STORMS. THE PLAN WAS WELL-EXECUTED. THE PLAN IS STILL IN  
8 PLACE. AND THE THREE DEPARTMENTS ARE PREPARED BASED ON  
9 PREDICTED RAINFALL IN THE FUTURE TO AGAIN ACTIVATE AND  
10 ESCALATE THE PLAN BASED ON THE PREDICTIONS AND BASED ON THE  
11 INFORMATION THAT COMES TO US FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC  
12 WORKS AND THE WEATHER SERVICE. SO, AGAIN, ON BEHALF OF ALL OF  
13 THE FIREFIGHTERS AND ALL OF THE COUNTY PERSONNEL THAT ARE  
14 INVOLVED IN THIS, WE'D LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND  
15 YOUR FORESIGHT IN ENABLING US TO PUT THIS PLAN TOGETHER TO TRY  
16 TO COMMUNICATE TO THE PUBLIC FOR THEIR WELFARE AND THEIR  
17 SAFETY.

18  
19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOU'VE DONE A GREAT JOB. MR.  
20 FUJIOKA?

21  
22 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** JUST A COUPLE OF QUICK COMMENTS. I WANT TO  
23 PIGGYBACK ON WHAT CHIEF FREEMAN JUST SAID. IT'S NOT ONLY WHAT  
24 STAFF DID IN RESPONSE TO THE RAINS, BUT THE HOURS AND HOURS



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1 AND ALL THE WORK THEY DID PRIOR TO THE RAIN TO PREPARE FOR IT.  
2 PLANNING.

3

4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE PUBLIC WORKS WERE OUT THERE CLEANING THE  
5 BASINS. THEY WERE GETTING READY, GETTING K- RAILS UP AND BAGS  
6 UP. AND WE HAD OUR SHERIFF'S STAFF AND FIRE STAFF. BUT ALSO TO  
7 RECOGNIZE IN ADDITION TO THESE THREE, WE HAD A LOT OF COUNTY  
8 STAFF OUT THERE. BEACHES AND HARBORS WERE OUT THERE TAKING  
9 CARE OF OUR BEACHES. PARKS AND REC, ANIMAL CONTROL. IT WAS  
10 TRULY THROUGH THE COLLECTIVE EFFORTS OF A LOT OF REAL HARD  
11 WORKING COUNTY EMPLOYEES THAT MADE THIS, I WOULD SAY, A VERY  
12 SUCCESSFUL RESPONSE TO THE RAINS.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I AGREE.

15

16 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR  
19 ANTONOVICH?

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ONCE AGAIN COMMEND GAIL FARBER AND THE  
22 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. THEY DID A SUPERB JOB. SHE WAS  
23 THERE FROM THE BEGINNING TO THE END. AND WE ARE STILL IN A  
24 STAGE WHERE WE'RE WAITING TO SEE HOW THE CURRENT RAIN'S GOING  
25 TO TURN OUT. CHIEF NEIL TYLER WAS THERE. CHIEF MICHAEL



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1 FREEMAN. AND WE ALSO HAD ANIMAL CONTROL THAT WAS PRESENT. BUT  
2 IT WAS VERY GOOD. BUT AS CHIEF FREEMAN WAS SAYING, WHEN WE  
3 DEVELOP CARE, WE ENGAGE THE TOWN COUNCILS WITH THE CITIES, AND  
4 WORKING TOGETHER WITH THE PRE-STORM MEETINGS, FILLING UP THE  
5 SANDBAGS AND BEING PREPARED IN WHAT TO DO, HOW TO DO IT,  
6 REALLY ALLEVIATED A LOT OF ANXIETY AND ABILITY TO HANDLE THIS  
7 ISSUE AS PROFESSIONALLY AS THEY DID. IT WAS REALLY A CUT  
8 ABOVE. I THOUGHT IT WAS IRONIC THAT THE MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES  
9 WANTED TO MOVE THE MUDSLIDES TO PANORAMA CITY AND HE BROUGHT  
10 BRAND NEW RUBBER BOOTS TO FILL A MUD HOLE. THAT WAS KIND OF  
11 CUTE. BUT YOU'VE DONE A SUPERB JOB. AND IN THE COMMUNITY,  
12 EVERYONE SPEAKS VERY HIGHLY OF YOU. AND THE CITY OF SIERRA  
13 MADRE, THE CITY OF LA CANADA, THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WHERE WE HAD  
14 THE PROBLEMS AND THE TOWN COUNCILS, CRESCENTA VALLEY, KAGEL  
15 CANYON COUNCIL, JUNIPER HILLS, ACTON, ALL OF THEM. EVEN THE  
16 GOOD COMMENTS FROM ALTADENA'S TOWN COUNCIL BECAUSE THEY WERE  
17 IMPACTED BY THE STATION FIRE. BUT THIS, THE PROBLEMS OCCURRED  
18 NOT JUST IN SOME OF TUJUNGA, LA CANADA, CRESCENTA VALLEY,  
19 GLENDALE, THE GLENDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT, THE FIRE DEPARTMENT,  
20 THE FIRE CHIEF REALLY A SUPERB JOB, BUT ALSO IN SIERRA MADRE.  
21 THEN YOU LOOK AT DON KNABE'S 405. THAT WAS A RIVER. THAT WAS  
22 AN OCEAN. THE FREEWAY WAS AMAZING HOW THAT IMPACTED THE ENTIRE  
23 COUNTY. AND THE COUNTY IS TO BE COMMENDED FOR THEIR RAPID  
24 RESPONSE SO THAT THERE WAS NOT A LOSS OF LIFE AND WE WERE ABLE  
25 TO PRESERVE PROPERTY. BUT ONE QUESTION I'D ASK IS: HOW MUCH



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1 MORE MATERIAL IS IN THE BURN AREA BASINS, GAIL? DO WE KNOW? OR  
2 DO WE KNOW HOW LONG IT WOULD TAKE TO REMOVE ALL OF THE  
3 MATERIAL?

4

5 **GAIL FARBER:** AS I MENTIONED, WE ESTIMATE THAT OUR BASINS  
6 RECEIVED ABOUT 500,000 CUBIC YARDS OF MATERIAL. WE'RE IN THE  
7 PROCESS OF OVER THE PAST FEW DAYS ALREADY AT WORK REMOVING IT.  
8 IT TAKES SEVERAL WEEKS. WE'RE PRIORITIZING THEM SO THAT THE  
9 SMALLEST ONES ARE CLEARED FIRST. AND WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT WE  
10 HAVE ENOUGH CAPACITY TO WEATHER THE NEXT SET OF STORMS. BUT AS  
11 YOU MENTIONED, WE'RE NOT THROUGH IT YET. WE ARE BRACING FOR  
12 THE NEXT SERIES OF STORMS OVER THE NEXT COUPLE OF MONTHS. AND  
13 SO OUR MESSAGE IS THAT WE STILL NEED TO STAY VIGILANT.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ALSO THE PEOPLE OUT AT STATION CAMP 2,  
16 THEY DID A REAL GOOD JOB WITH THE FACILITY KEEPING THE PRESS  
17 ADVISED. AND THE MEDIA, AGAIN, THE MEDIA DID A VERY GOOD JOB  
18 IN GIVING PUBLIC INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC, TIMELY  
19 INFORMATION, SO THAT THE RESIDENTS THAT WERE IMPACTED KNEW  
20 WHAT WAS OCCURRING. AND, AGAIN, THERE WAS THAT TEAM EFFORT. SO  
21 CONGRATULATIONS.

22

23 **CHIEF FREEMAN:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KNABE?

24



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1   **SUP. KNABE:** I JUST WANTED TO ADD MY THANK YOU, AS WELL, TOO,  
2   TO THE COMBINED EFFORT, THE JOINT EFFORT. I THINK THAT'S, AS  
3   WE'VE LEARNED IN SO MANY DIFFERENT CASES HERE, HAS BEEN THE  
4   STRENGTH OF OUR RESPONSE ARE THE JOINT-- YOU KNOW EVERYBODY  
5   WORKING TOGETHER ON THESE KINDS OF SITUATIONS. AND I KNOW YOU  
6   ALL WERE STRETCHED PRETTY THIN. AND I HAD A LOT OF ISSUES IN  
7   MY DISTRICT THAT WEREN'T MAKING THE HEADLINE NEWS BUT ALSO TO  
8   SANTOS AND HIS CREW DOWN THERE IN BEACHES DID A PHENOMENAL  
9   JOB. AND JUST THE BOOM. OUR L.A. COUNTY BOOM AND THE L.A.  
10   RIVER ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE STORM, I THINK WE HAD AN EXCESS  
11   OF 50 TONS OF TRASH. AND THEN THE SECOND DAY CLOSE TO 70  
12   MILLION TONS, OR 70 TONS OF TRASH, AS WELL, TOO. SO THERE WAS  
13   A LOT GOING OUT THAT THE COUNTY WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR. AND  
14   BECAUSE OF OUR PREPARATION AND ONGOING TRAINING, WE WERE WELL  
15   PREPARED. SO THANK YOU ALL FOR ALL YOUR EFFORTS ON A VERY  
16   DISPERSED-- THIS IS A BIG COUNTY WHEN IT COMES TO EVERYBODY  
17   GETTING RAIN AT THE SAME TIME. GAIL, YOU LOOKED GOOD ON GOOD  
18   MORNING AMERICA. THANK YOU.

19

20   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ANYONE ELSE? ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU SO MUCH.  
21   THE PLANNING, EVERYTHING WAS WELL DONE. AND HOPEFULLY WE'LL  
22   HAVE THE SAME, IT LOOKS LIKE WE'RE GOING TO HAVE SOME STORMS  
23   THIS WEEK. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THESE ISSUES.

24

25   **GAIL FARBER:** THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE DO HAVE PUBLIC HEARINGS  
3 TODAY, SO I'M GOING TO ASK-- WE DO, THAT'S CORRECT. WE DO NEED  
4 A MOTION ON THAT LAST ITEM. ON THIS LAST ITEM, YES. MOVED BY  
5 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF  
6 THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ALL RIGHT. NOW WE HAVE A  
7 PUBLIC HEARING SO I'M GOING TO ASK OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO  
8 SWEAR IN ANYONE WHO NEEDS TO BE SWORN IN TO TESTIFY TODAY.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY ON EITHER  
11 ITEM 1 OR 2 PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN  
12 IN? IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU  
13 SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING  
14 BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD? THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED.  
15 ON ITEM NO. 1, THIS IS THE DE NOVO HEARING ON PROJECT NUMBER  
16 R2006-00321-2, CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 2006-00024-2,  
17 ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT 2006-00026-2, AND NEGATIVE  
18 DECLARATION FOR AN ADVERTISING SIGN LOCATED AT 15301 AVALON  
19 BOULEVARD IN WILLOWBROOK ENTERPRISE ZONE DISTRICT AND WITHIN  
20 THE WEST RANCHO DOMINGUEZ VICTORIA COMMUNITY STANDARDS  
21 DISTRICT APPLIED FOR BY DAVID RYAN ON BEHALF OF C.B.S.  
22 OUTDOOR. THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IF I COULD HAVE THE DEPARTMENT  
25 PRESENT, PLEASE?





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1  
2 **TYLER MONTGOMERY:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS TYLER  
3 MONTGOMERY, I'M WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. THIS  
4 IS AN APPEAL BY THE APPLICANT OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING  
5 COMMISSION'S DENIAL OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NUMBER 2006-  
6 00024 ON AUGUST 5, 2009. THE APPLICANT, C.B.S. OUTDOOR, IS  
7 REQUESTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO AUTHORIZE THE  
8 CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW 42-FOOT HIGH DOUBLE FACED BILLBOARD WITH  
9 TWO 672-SQUARE FOOT SIGN FACES AT 15301 SOUTH AVALON  
10 BOULEVARD. THE PROPOSED BILLBOARD WOULD BE LOCATED ON THE  
11 SOUTHERN PORTION OF A PROPERTY CURRENTLY UTILIZED AS A STORAGE  
12 YARD FOR A DRYWALL BUSINESS AND WOULD BE ORIENTED TOWARD  
13 AVALON BOULEVARD TO THE EAST. THE APPLICANT WOULD REMOVE AN  
14 EXISTING SMALLER BILLBOARD LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 300 FEET TO  
15 THE SOUTHWEST. THE SITE IS LOCATED IN AN M-1, LIGHT  
16 MANUFACTURING ZONE, WITHIN THE WILLOWBROOK ENTERPRISE ZONE  
17 DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. A DULY NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING  
18 WAS HELD ON MAY 20TH, 2009, AT WHICH THE APPLICANT'S  
19 REPRESENTATIVE REQUESTED A CONTINUANCE. THE HEARING WAS  
20 CONTINUED UNTIL AUGUST 5, 2009. AT THIS HEARING, THE  
21 APPLICANT'S REPRESENTATIVE, MR. DAVE RYAN, WAS SWORN IN AND  
22 TESTIFIED IN FAVOR OF THE PROJECT. AFTER A BRIEF DISCUSSION,  
23 THE COMMISSION CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTED TO DENY THE  
24 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AS PER THE RECOMMENDATION OF REGIONAL  
25 PLANNING STAFF FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS: THE COMMISSION HAD



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1 CONCERNS REGARDING THE STRUCTURE'S SCALE AND THE CONTEXT OF  
2 THE SURROUNDING AREA. THE APPLICANT PROPOSES TO CONSTRUCT A  
3 BILLBOARD 42 FEET IN HEIGHT, WHICH IS THE MAXIMUM ALLOWED IN  
4 ANY PART OF THE UNINCORPORATED COUNTY. THIS WOULD INCLUDE  
5 FREEWAY SIGNS AND SIGNS IN AREAS OF MULTI STORY BUILDINGS. IN  
6 CONTRAST, THE SURROUNDING AREA CONSISTS MAINLY OF LOW RISE ONE  
7 STORY BUILDINGS WITH A FEW TWO-STORY BUILDINGS INTERSPERSED.  
8 ALTHOUGH ALL IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT PROPERTIES ARE ZONED FOR  
9 INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL USES, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCES ARE  
10 LOCATED 240 FEET TO THE EAST OF THE PROJECT SITE AND TWO  
11 SENSITIVE USES, CHURCHES, ARE LOCATED WITHIN ADJACENT  
12 INDUSTRIAL ZONES. AFOREMENTIONED FACTORS MAKE IT LIKELY THAT  
13 THE MASSIVE SCALE OF THE PROPOSED SIGN WOULD BE OUT OF  
14 CHARACTER WITH THE SURROUNDING AREA AND COULD AFFECT CITIZENS'  
15 COMFORT OR WELFARE. THE COUNTY CODE PLACES RESTRICTIONS ON  
16 SIZE AND NUMBER OF OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGNS THAT MAY BE  
17 PLACED WITHIN A GIVEN RADIUS, THE CLEAR INTENTION OF WHICH IS  
18 TO LIMIT THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF SIGNAGE IN ANY GIVEN AREA IN ORDER  
19 TO OVERCONCENTRATION OF AD SPACE AND ITS ACCOMPANYING  
20 AESTHETIC IMPACTS. IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH THIS SECTION OF THE  
21 CODE, THE APPLICANT HAS PROPOSED REMOVING AN EXISTING  
22 BILLBOARD LOCATED 300 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST. HOWEVER THE SCALE  
23 OF THE BILLBOARD TO BE REMOVED IS MUCH SMALLER THAN THAT WHICH  
24 IS BEING PROPOSED. THE EXISTING SIGN IS A TOTAL HEIGHT OF 26  
25 FEET COMPARED TO 42 FEET FOR THE PROPOSED SIGN. IT ALSO HAS A



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1 SIGN AREA OF 300 SQUARE FEET AND IS SINGLE FACED COMPARED TO A  
2 SIGN AREA OF 672 SQUARE FEET FOR EACH OF THE NEW BILLBOARD'S  
3 TWO FACES. ALLOWING SUCH AN ACTION WOULD NOT BE CONSISTENT  
4 WITH THE INTENT OF THE COUNTY CODE. THIS DENIAL WAS  
5 SUBSEQUENTLY APPEALED TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. IT IS  
6 STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION THAT THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION'S  
7 DECISION BE UPHELD BY DENYING THE APPLICANT'S APPEAL. THIS  
8 CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

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10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY  
11 QUESTION OR COMMENT FROM MY COLLEAGUES? NO? ALL RIGHT WE HAVE  
12 TWO SPEAKERS FROM THIS ITEM. IF I COULD ASK MR. WIL NIEVES TO  
13 JOIN US AS WELL AS MR. HARPAL SADHAL, I HOPE THAT'S CORRECT. I  
14 APOLOGIZE. PLEASE, IF YOU'D JOIN US. MR. NIEVES? I HAVE MORE  
15 PEOPLE UP HERE. WHO IS MR. NIEVES?

16

17 **WIL NIEVES:** I AM.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WOULD YOU PLEASE BEGIN.

20

21 **WILL NIEVES:** MY NAME IS WIL NIEVES, MY ADDRESS IS 21250  
22 HAWTHORN BOULEVARD, SUITE 700, TORRANCE CALIFORNIA 90503. THE  
23 FIRST QUESTION YOU HAVE TO ASK YOURSELF ON BILLBOARDS ARE  
24 WHETHER THEY'RE A LEGITIMATE USE AND WHAT IS THE HARM? THE  
25 C.U.P. PROCESS THAT HAS BEEN IMPLEMENTED LEGITIMIZES ITS USE



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1 WITHIN THE COUNTY. THEY HAVE BEEN RESTRICTED TO SPECIFIC  
2 ZONES. AND THEN THE QUESTION BECOMES IF IT'S ALLOWED ONLY IN  
3 CERTAIN ZONES, IF NOT HERE, WHERE IN THE COUNTY CAN IT BE  
4 ALLOWED? MOST OF L.A. URBAN METROPOLITAN AREA HAS POCKETS OF  
5 UNINCORPORATED LAND WITH INDUSTRIAL ZONES. MOST OF THESE  
6 POCKETS HAVE A VARIETY OF MIXED ZONING: INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL  
7 AND RESIDENTIAL SIDE BY SIDE. BILLBOARDS ARE DESIGNED TO BE  
8 SEEN. AND IN THIS PARTICULAR INSTANCE, IT'S IN AN AREA WHERE  
9 THERE ARE NO OTHER BILLBOARDS. IT IS NOT DIGITAL. IT DOES NOT  
10 HAVE ANY LIGHTING ISSUES. AESTHETICALLY, IT DOESN'T HAVE ANY  
11 ISSUE BECAUSE THERE AREN'T ANY OTHER BUILDINGS ASSOCIATED WITH  
12 IT. HOWEVER, IT'S BEING DENIED. IT DOES NOT EXCEED THE HEIGHTS  
13 THAT IS ALLOWABLE. ACCORDING TO THE ZONING CODE REGULATIONS, A  
14 BUILDING COULD BE BUILT AT A HIGHER HEIGHT THAN THIS  
15 PARTICULAR BILLBOARD. IT COULD BE BUILT AT A MASSER SCALE THAN  
16 THIS PARTICULAR BILLBOARD. SO THE IMPOSITION HERE IS THAT A  
17 BUILDING COULD BE BUILT BY RIGHTS, THAT IS TALLER AND WIDER,  
18 BUT A BILLBOARD THAT IS SMALLER CANNOT BE BUILT AT THIS  
19 PARTICULAR LOCATION. THIS REMINDS ME OF THE OLD ZONING  
20 DISCRIMINATION TOWARDS MOBILE HOME PARKS, LOW INCOME HOUSING,  
21 SHELTERS AND THE LIKE. ALL THESE KINDS OF USES ARE DEEMED  
22 UNDESIRABLE AND UNATTRACTIVE. THERE IS A PLACE FOR ALL OF  
23 THESE USES TO EXIST; HOWEVER, IT SEEMS THAT THE C.U.P. PROCESS  
24 IS BEING USED TO STEALTHILY, TO NOT ALLOW FUTURE BILLBOARDS TO  
25 BE BUILT. FROM MY KNOWLEDGE, THERE HAS ONLY BEEN ONE BILLBOARD



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1 THAT HAS BEEN APPROVED THROUGH THE C.U.P. PROCESS. THIS IS ON  
2 TORRANCE BOULEVARD NEAR THE HARBOR FREEWAY. THAT WAS THE VERY  
3 FIRST ONE THAT WAS EVER APPROVED. NO SUCH BILLBOARD HAS BEEN  
4 APPROVED SINCE THAT TIME. SO TO ME, IT SEEMS THAT THERE IS A  
5 SPIRIT OF DENYING THESE CASES DE FACTO AND BE CAREFUL OF WHAT  
6 YOU WISH FOR, BECAUSE IT IS ILLEGAL TO DO IT THAT WAY. WHAT  
7 ENDS UP HAPPENING IS THAT YOU DISCRIMINATE AGAINST A BILLBOARD  
8 FOR IRRATIONAL REASONS AS A PERSONAL DECISION THAT'S BEING  
9 MADE. IT IS AN OUTRIGHT VIOLATION OF THE C.U.P. IMPLEMENTATION  
10 PROCESS. THERE IS NO OPPOSITION TO THIS PARTICULAR BILLBOARD.  
11 THERE HAS BEEN NO COMMUNITY OPPOSITION. IT IS IN A LOCATION  
12 WHERE IT DOES NOT CAUSE HARM SINCE NO HARM HAS BEEN EXPRESSED  
13 BY THE COMMUNITY.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. NIEVES. MR. SADHAL?

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17 **HARPAL SADHAL:** YES, GOOD MORNING. MADAME CHAIR AND HONORABLE  
18 MEMBERS OF THE SUPERVISOR BOARD. MY NAME IS HARPAL SADHAL. I'M  
19 THE VICE PRESIDENT WITH KOSMONT COMPANIES. I'M SPEAKING TODAY  
20 ON BEHALF OF THE PROJECT APPLICANT TO MY LEFT, MR. DAVE RYAN,  
21 AND THE PROPERTY OWNER OF THE SUBJECT SITE, MR. JERRY DAVID TO  
22 MY RIGHT. YOU MAY BE WONDERING WHAT ELSE WE CAN SAY TODAY IN  
23 ADDITION TO MR. NIEVES THAT BEYOND THE CONTENT OF YOUR STAFF  
24 REPORT AND THE STAFF DELIVERY HERE THAT COULD SWAY YOU TO  
25 APPROVE THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT. AND WITH A FEW MINUTES OF



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1 YOUR TIME I'M JUST GOING TO OUTLINE A COUPLE OF POINTS THAT I  
2 WAS GOING TO SHOW YOU HOW IT'S NOT REALLY GOING TO BE  
3 DETRIMENTAL. IT'S ACTUALLY GOING TO BE SOMETHING THAT'S GOING  
4 TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR THE COMMUNITY AROUND AND  
5 IT'S GOING TO FIT WELL WITH THE SURROUNDINGS. NUMBER ONE,  
6 REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION NOTED THAT WITHIN A 250-FOOT  
7 RADIUS THERE WERE SOME-- IT WAS GOING TO HAVE AN ADVERSE  
8 EFFECT ON SENSITIVE USERS AND RESIDENTIAL USERS. WHAT WE  
9 NOTICE IS WITHIN THE 250-RADIUS THERE REALLY WERE NO  
10 RESIDENTIAL USERS, MAYBE RIGHT OUTSIDE. EVEN WITHIN 500-FOOT  
11 RADIUS THERE ARE A LIMITED NUMBER OF RESIDENTIAL USES, AND ON  
12 TOP OF THAT, THOSE USES ARE SCREENED BY THE BILLBOARD FROM  
13 COMMERCIAL AND INSTITUTIONAL USES. SO WHILE THEY MAY BE WITHIN  
14 THAT RADIUS, THERE IS NOT A DIRECT EXPOSURE. ADDITIONALLY, THE  
15 CONCERN ABOUT SENSITIVE USERS GOES TO THE POINT THAT DURING  
16 THE AUGUST 2009 NOTICING PERIOD, 62 NOTICES WERE SENT OUT TO  
17 PROPERTY OWNERS AND SENSITIVE USERS AROUND THE SITE AND THERE  
18 WERE NO-- NOT ONE OBJECTION WAS RAISED FROM ANY OF THESE  
19 INDIVIDUALS. ADDITIONALLY, THERE WERE AUGMENTED PACKAGES SENT  
20 TO THE SENSITIVE USERS, INCLUDING TWO CHURCHES. AGAIN, THERE  
21 WAS NO OPPOSITION AT ALL, INCLUDING FROM COUNTY FIRE AND  
22 PUBLIC WORKS. REGARDING THE CONCENTRATION OF BILLBOARDS IN THE  
23 AREA, YOU KNOW, WE IDENTIFIED THROUGH A WINDSHIELD SURVEY IN A  
24 ONE MILE RADIUS ONLY THREE DIFFERENT SIMILAR SIZED BILLBOARDS  
25 UP AND DOWN AVALON BOULEVARD. TO US, THAT DOES NOT REALLY





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1 CONSTITUTE A CONCENTRATION IN THE AREA. AND GOING TO THE  
2 BENEFITS OF THE BILLBOARD, THE AMBIENT LIGHT GENERATED FROM  
3 THIS BILLBOARD IS GOING TO DO A LOT TO HELP REPEL CRIME. AS  
4 YOU ALL MAY REMEMBER IN 2004 THERE WAS AN OFF DUTY SHERIFF'S  
5 DEPUTY OR A CAPTAIN, MIKE SPARKS, WHO WAS ACTUALLY GUNNED DOWN  
6 OUTSIDE THIS SITE. SO THIS AMBIENT LIGHT IS GOING TO HELP  
7 SIGNIFICANTLY TO REDUCE CRIME. AND NOTWITHSTANDING, EVEN THE  
8 PROPERTY OWNER, MR. JERRY DAVID, HAS EXPERIENCED OVER \$60,000  
9 IN PROPERTY DAMAGE AND VANDALISM, PROPERTY LOSS IN THE LAST  
10 TWO YEARS FROM THEFT. AND THIS BILLBOARD IS GOING TO HELP  
11 SIGNIFICANTLY TO HELP HIM KEEP HIS BUSINESS OPEN. HE'S DOING  
12 AN HONEST BUSINESS AND HIS INSURANCE COMPANY HAS ACTUALLY  
13 INDICATED THAT IF HE EXPERIENCES SIMILAR INCIDENTS LIKE THIS  
14 IN THE FUTURE, THAT HE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO CONTINUE DOING HIS  
15 BUSINESS, CANNOT GET INSURANCE. TO THE POINT OF BUILDING  
16 HEIGHTS, WE HAVE IDENTIFIED SEVERAL 3 AND 4-STORY STRUCTURES  
17 AND BUILDINGS IN THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY, SO WE SEE KIND OF A  
18 DISCREPANCY WITH WHAT STAFF HAS STATED. AND, LASTLY, IN TERMS  
19 OF THE GENERAL PLAN STANDARDS, WE ARE-- THE APPLICANT IS  
20 WILLING TO TAKE DOWN AN EXISTING SIGN TO CONFORM WITH THE  
21 STANDARDS AND IS WITHIN BY RIGHTS HEIGHT LIMITS. THANK YOU.

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23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK CONCLUDES THE TESTIMONY.  
24 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. WITH YOUR  
2    PERMISSION, I'D LIKE TO READ IN THE FOLLOWING MOTION. THE  
3    HEARING BEFORE THE BOARD TODAY IS A REQUEST TO APPROVE A  
4    CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO AUTHORIZE THE CONSTRUCTION AND  
5    MAINTENANCE OF A NEW OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGN WITHIN THE  
6    WILLOWBROOK COMMUNITY. WHEN THIS APPLICATION WAS CONSIDERED BY  
7    THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ON AUGUST THE FIFTH OF 2009,  
8    THE COMMISSION UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO DENY THE APPLICATION. THE  
9    PROPOSED SIGN WOULD HAVE A HEIGHT OF 42 FEET, WHICH IS THE  
10    MAXIMUM HEIGHT ALLOWED IN ANY PART OF THE UNINCORPORATED  
11    COUNTY, INCLUDING FREEWAY SIGNS AND SIGNS IN AREAS SURROUNDED  
12    BY MULTIPLE-STORY BUILDINGS. HOWEVER, THIS COMMUNITY CONSISTS  
13    MAINLY OF LOW-RISE, ONE-STORY BUILDINGS, INCLUDING TWO  
14    CHURCHES AND A NUMBER OF SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCES LOCATED TO  
15    THE EAST OF THE PROJECT SITE. THE PROPOSED BILLBOARD IS  
16    INCOMPATIBLE AND OUT OF SCALE IN THE CONTEXT OF THE  
17    SURROUNDING COMMUNITY AS INDICATED. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE  
18    BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ONE, CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING; TWO,  
19    INDICATE THE BOARD'S INTENT TO DENY THE APPEAL AND UPHOLD THE  
20    FINDINGS OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION; AND, THREE,  
21    DIRECT COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE FINAL FINDINGS FOR DENIAL  
22    OF THE C.U.P. TO BRING BACK TO A FUTURE BOARD A MEETING FOR  
23    THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION AND DISPOSITION. I PUT THAT BEFORE  
24    YOU AS A MOTION, MADAME CHAIR.

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1   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. I SECOND THAT ITEM. IS THERE ANYONE  
2   ELSE THAT WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THIS ITEM? ANY OBJECTION TO  
3   THE MOTION? IF NOT, SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM.

4

5   **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

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7   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 2, THIS IS THE PUBLIC HEARING ON  
8   APPROVAL OF NEW OR UPDATED BILLING RATES BY THE DEPARTMENT OF  
9   HEALTH SERVICES FOR SERVICES PROVIDED ON OR AFTER FEBRUARY  
10   1ST, 2010. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS MATTER AND  
11   NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

12

13   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. DO WE HAVE ANY QUESTION OR  
14   COMMENT ON THIS ITEM? IF NOT, THEN WE WILL MOVE TO CLOSE THE  
15   PUBLIC HEARING. ITEM IS SECONDED. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO  
16   ORDERED ON THAT ITEM. ITEM NO. 5.

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18   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MADAME CHAIR, THAT COMPLETES THE PUBLIC  
19   HEARING. ITEM NO. 5 WAS HELD BY A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

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21   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. I SEE. THAT WAS NOT A PUBLIC  
22   HEARING ITEM. THEN LET ME GO BACK TO OUR-- WE DO HAVE A  
23   SPECIAL ITEM AT 11, CORRECT?

24

25   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'M GOING TO ASK THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
3 SERVICES TO COME UP AND JOIN US FOR THEIR REPORT.

4

5 **CAROL MEYER:** GOOD MORNING. CAROL MEYER, CHIEF NETWORK OFFICER  
6 FOR THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT. I'M REALLY ACTUALLY VERY PLEASED TO  
7 GIVE YOU THIS REPORT TODAY. WE ARE CONTINUALLY MOVING IN THE  
8 RIGHT DIRECTION. YOU KNOW, I THINK, REALLY, WE'RE SETTling  
9 INTO THE HOSPITAL IS HOW I WOULD DESCRIBE IT. FOR THE MONTH OF  
10 DECEMBER, THERE WAS A SLIGHT DROP IN CENSUS, NOT SIGNIFICANT,  
11 AND CERTAINLY THAT IS COMMON AMONGST ALL HOSPITALS IN THE  
12 NOVEMBER/DECEMBER TIME PERIOD, AND YOU CAN SEE THAT  
13 HISTORICALLY FOR OUR HOSPITAL, AS WELL AS OTHERS. HOWEVER, THE  
14 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT INDICATORS CONTINUALLY IMPROVE. THE  
15 MEDIAN BOARD TIME HAS GONE DOWN, THE LEFT WITHOUT BEING SEEN,  
16 THE A.L.S DIVERSION. SPECIFICALLY THE MEDIAN BOARDING TIME HAS  
17 GONE FROM AS HIGH AS 18 PERCENT TO 8 PERCENT REDUCTION IN THE  
18 MONTH OF DECEMBER, SO REALLY SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENTS. AND  
19 CERTAINLY THE IMPORTANT ISSUE IS OUR CROWDING LEVEL  
20 COMPARISONS AND TRENDING HAVE GONE DOWN WITH THE NEAR ZERO  
21 PERCENT TIME IN THE DANGEROUSLY OVERCROWDED AND 5 PERCENT  
22 REDUCTION IN THE SEVERELY OVERCROWDED. AND WE ARE SEEING  
23 CONTINUAL INCREASES IN OUR TRANSFERS OUT IN ORDER TO KEEP  
24 THOSE CROWDING MEASURES DOWN. SO WITH THAT, I'D BE HAPPY TO  
25 ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ANY QUESTION? LET ME JUST SAY THAT I, TOO,  
3 AM PLEASED TO RECEIVE THIS REPORT. I THINK THERE ARE SO MANY  
4 MORE THINGS THAT ARE WORKING WELL AND LESSENING THE TENSION  
5 AND THE CROWDING. AND I APPRECIATE ALL OF THE REPORTING AND  
6 HOW IT'S BEEN DONE. IT'S BEEN VERY HELPFUL TO US. I AM  
7 PARTICULARLY PROUD THAT THERE ARE NO HOURS IN DANGEROUS  
8 OVERCROWDING, WHICH REGRETTABLY WAS SOMETHING THAT WAS A  
9 PROBLEM FOR US IN THE PAST. ALTHOUGH, AGAIN, WE DO HAVE TO  
10 UNDERSTAND THAT WHAT THIS HAS INVOLVED AND WHY IT IS  
11 DECOMPRESSED IS THE TRANSFERS. WE HAD OVER 173 TRANSFERS AT  
12 L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. THIS IS COSTING US A LOT OF MONEY, WELL  
13 OVER \$1.2 MILLION A MONTH. AND SO THESE ARE TOTALS THAT WE'RE  
14 GOING TO BE ADDING UP. BUT I APPRECIATE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF  
15 HEALTH SERVICES IN MOVING FORWARD IN THE INTEREST OF PATIENT  
16 CARE AND MAKING SURE THAT WE ARE ACCOMMODATING THOSE PATIENTS  
17 THAT ARE COMING TO L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. SO THANK YOU SO MUCH.  
18 THAT'S RECEIVE AND FILE. ALL RIGHT. NEXT ON OUR SPECIALS,  
19 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HAS COMPLETED HIS. SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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21 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.  
22 FIRST TODAY I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A  
23 GOOD FRIEND, DR. JOHN KASHIWABARA, A FORMER LONG BEACH HARBOR  
24 COMMISSIONER WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 88. HE  
25 EARNED A MEDICAL DEGREE AND WAS INVOLVED IN THE KOREAN WAR AS



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1 A MEDICAL OFFICER. HE MOVED TO LONG BEACH IN 1954 TO OPEN UP A  
2 PRIVATE PRACTICE UNTIL 1990. HE WAS ALSO LONG BEACH CITY  
3 COLLEGE'S DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICE AND WAS ALSO INVOLVED IN  
4 NUMEROUS CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE BOYS AND GIRLS  
5 CLUB OF LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF  
6 TRUSTEES. HE WAS APPOINTED TO THE LONG BEACH HARBOR COMMISSION  
7 BY MAYOR O'NEAL IN 1996. HE WAS A VERY DISTINGUISHED GENTLEMAN  
8 AND WAS KNOWN AS A STATESMAN. HE WILL TRULY BE MISSED BY ALL  
9 THAT KNEW HIM, AND PARTICULARLY THE CITY OF LONG BEACH. JOHN  
10 IS SURVIVED BY HIS BROTHER KEN AND NUMEROUS NIECES AND  
11 NEPHEWS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THE FATHER OF ONE  
12 OF MY LONG-TIME FRIENDS, TOM GIBSON, PASSED AWAY RECENTLY HE  
13 WAS 94 YEARS OLD. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE MAXINE, CHILDREN  
14 TOM, MARTY, JERRY, HARRY, DON, ELIZABETH AND SUE. HE WILL BE  
15 GREATLY MISSED BY FAMILY AND FRIENDS. UP UNTIL RECENTLY, JUST  
16 A VERY ACTIVE MEMBER, JUST CONTINUED TO DO A LOT. SO OUR  
17 THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS GO OUT TO TOM AND THE FAMILY. ALSO THAT  
18 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CHRISTINE FENDER-MILLER, WHO IS BORN  
19 AND RAISED IN LOS ANGELES AND PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 6TH AT  
20 THE AGE OF 80. SHE MARRIED HERMAN FENDER IN 1947 AND RAISED  
21 FOUR CHILDREN. THEY RAISED THEIR FAMILY IN LA MIRADA FOR 33  
22 YEARS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER FOUR CHILDREN, SID, DAVID,  
23 DEBBIE MIKE AND 12 GRANDCHILDREN, 16 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. AND  
24 ONE OF OUR COMMANDERS, DAVE FENDER'S MOTHER. ALSO THAT WE  
25 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ROSE DURON, WHO PASSED AWAY JANUARY 1ST





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1 AT THE AGE OF 87, BORN AGAIN AND RAISED IN L.A. AND WORKED  
2 DURING WORLD WAR II IN A MANUFACTURING PLANT. SHE WAS A TRUE  
3 ROSIE THE RIVETER. SHE WORKED FOR SEARS AND ROEBUCK AND  
4 RETIRED AFTER 25 YEARS OF SERVICE. AFTER RETIREMENT, SHE  
5 VOLUNTEERED AT THE CITY OF DOWNEY LIBRARY. SHE WAS A VERY  
6 STRONG, INDEPENDENT WOMAN WHO FOSTERED STRONG FAMILY VALUES IN  
7 APPRECIATION OF MUSIC AND SPORTS AND EDUCATION. SHE IS  
8 SURVIVED BY HER TWO SONS, AND ONE THAT WE ALL KNOW IS STEVE  
9 DURON OVER AT COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT. HER  
10 OTHER SON KENNETH AND FOUR GRANDCHILDREN, JASON, JAMES, LAURA  
11 AND ETHAN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ALICE SYBESMA WHO  
12 PASSED AWAY IN ARTESIA ON JANUARY 16TH AT THE AGE OF 83. SHE  
13 BECAME A TEACHER SERVING THE CERRITOS AREA FOR OVER 30 YEARS.  
14 SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND RICHARD, DAUGHTER LINDA, SONS  
15 RICH, LARRY, DAVID. BROTHERS AND 12 GRANDCHILDREN AND 8 GREAT  
16 GRANDCHILDREN. AND THEN ALSO WE ADJOURN FINALLY IN MEMORY OF  
17 EVERETT ARINWINE, PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF F&E AIRCRAFT  
18 MAINTENANCE IN EL SEGUNDO. HE RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR IN  
19 ENGINEERING. HE WAS A PRIVATE PILOT. IN 1993 HE FOUNDED HIS  
20 COMPANY AND PROVIDED SERVICES FOREIGN, DOMESTIC, MILITARY AND  
21 CARGO AIRLINES. HIS HARD WORK TRANSFORMED A VERY SMALL COMPANY  
22 INTO A MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR CORPORATION. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS  
23 WIFE OF 15 YEARS, LISA, AND WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED BY HIS  
24 FAMILY AND FRIENDS. AND THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

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1    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS.

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3    **SUP. KNABE:** LET'S SEE, I BELIEVE I HELD-- YEAH, ITEM 10. AND  
4    MY QUESTIONNAIRE, AND I KNOW SOMEBODY IN THE PUBLIC HELD IT,  
5    AS WELL. BUT MY QUESTION ON THE CENSUS IS THAT WE'RE GOING TO  
6    BE ABLE TO-- SHOULD THE STATE RELEASE THAT OUR UNINCORPORATED  
7    AREAS GET THEIR FAIR SHARE OF DOLLARS? CAN YOU ADDRESS THE  
8    ISSUE OF UNINCORPORATED AREA, PLEASE?

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10   **MARTIN ZIMMERMAN:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MARTIN ZIMMERMAN  
11   WITH THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE AND I HAVE JERRY RAMIREZ OF MY  
12   STAFF HERE WITH ME. YEAH, I WOULD SAY THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS  
13   IS PROBABLY OUR KEY CONCERN, OUR KEY RESPONSIBILITY, BECAUSE  
14   THE COUNTY IS BOTH THE REGIONAL AND THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT  
15   FOR THOSE AREAS. WE'VE FOCUSED MUCH OF OUR EXISTING FUNDING,  
16   THE FUNDING WE SET ASIDE IN THE C.E.O. BUDGET FOR THIS YEAR,  
17   ON UNINCORPORATED AREAS. AND IN TERMS OF THE FUNDING THAT  
18   WE'RE ASKING YOU TO ACCEPT TODAY FROM THE STATE, THERE'S A  
19   LARGE PORTION OF THAT, ABOUT \$275,000 THAT WILL BE SPLIT  
20   BETWEEN SOME TARGETED CITIES, AND THE STATE HAS MADE A POINT  
21   THEY WANT US TO CERTAINLY REACH OUT TO CITIES THAT HAVE NEEDS  
22   AND DON'T HAVE THE RESOURCES TO MEET THEM. BECAUSE THIS IS THE  
23   ONLY MONEY THAT'S BEING PROVIDED BY THE STATE TO THE ENTIRE  
24   COUNTY. BUT IT ALSO WILL GO TO-- IT WILL SUPPLEMENT THE  
25   EFFORTS THAT WE'RE ALREADY UNDERTAKING IN THE UNINCORPORATED



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1 AREAS. FOR ALL THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS WITHIN THE COUNTY,  
2 WE'VE IDENTIFIED ABOUT 21 THAT HAVE PARTICULARLY CRITICAL,  
3 HARD-TO-COUNT FACTORS, USING THE MAPS FROM 10 YEARS AGO, THOSE  
4 WERE AREAS WITH LOW RESPONSE RATES, OR THEY'RE AREAS THAT  
5 MAYBE HAVE PREDOMINANT LARGE HOMELESS POPULATIONS, PERHAPS  
6 THERE'S CERTAIN LANGUAGE GROUPS THAT MAY NOT BE IMMEDIATELY  
7 RESPONSIVE TO THE CENSUS. AND WE'VE ASSIGNED STAFF TO EACH OF  
8 THOSE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES, AND THEY ARE WORKING WITH--  
9 SOMETIMES WITH YOUR BOARD OFFICES, VERY OFTEN WITH YOUR BOARD  
10 OFFICES, AND ALSO LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS TO IDENTIFY THE NEEDS IN  
11 THAT AREA. SOMETIMES THEY HAVE A COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE.  
12 SOMETIMES IT'S REALLY A MORE INFORMAL GROUP OF PEOPLE. AND  
13 WE'RE ASKING THEM TO IDENTIFY ORGANIZATIONS THERE THAT MAY  
14 NEED SOME FUNDING, MAY NEED SOME ASSISTANCE THAT WE COULD  
15 PROVIDE TO THEM THROUGH THIS STATE GRANT, WHATEVER KIND OF  
16 MATERIALS, POSTERS, PAMPHLETS THEY MAY NEED. AND THEN WE'RE  
17 ALSO, IN TERMS OF CESAR CHAVEZ COMMUNITY SERVICE WEEK WHEN  
18 WE'RE OFFERING COUNTY EMPLOYEES ONE DAY DURING THAT WEEK TO  
19 VOLUNTEER, WE'RE WORKING WITH ORGANIZATIONS, OUR CHARITABLE  
20 ORGANIZATIONS THAT WE CONTRIBUTE TO AS WELL AS ADDITIONAL  
21 COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS TO IDENTIFY CENSUS OUTREACH ACTIVITIES  
22 IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS WHERE A COUNTY EMPLOYEE CAN GO HELP  
23 THEM FOR A DAY ON CENSUS OUTREACH. I CAN'T GIVE YOU A PRECISE  
24 DOLLAR FIGURE THAT WILL BE SPENT IN UNINCORPORATED VERSUS  
25 INCORPORATED CITIES, BUT WE'RE GOING TO TRY TO FOCUS OUR--



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1 CERTAINLY OUR CURRENT FUNDING THAT WE HAVE IN OUR BUDGET IS  
2 PREDOMINANTLY FOCUSED THERE. BUT FOR STATE MONEY, WE'RE GOING  
3 TO DO IT AS MUCH AS WE POSSIBLY CAN, WITHIN THE CONFINES OF  
4 THE GUIDELINES THE STATE IS GIVING US THAT THAT THEY WOULD  
5 LIKE US TO SPEND IT OUTSIDE OF THE DIRECT COUNTY  
6 RESPONSIBILITY AREA.

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S A CRITICAL POPULATION. THERE ARE A LOT OF  
9 GROUPS AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE GEARING UP TO PARTICIPATE IN  
10 THIS. AND FROM THE COUNTY'S PERSPECTIVE, AT LEAST, IT COULD  
11 MEAN SIGNIFICANT DOLLARS TO US IN RETURN. SO HOPEFULLY WE CAN  
12 CONTINUE -- I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE WE GOT SOMETHING ON  
13 RECORD THAT WE ARE--

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SORRY.

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17 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT, ANYWAY--

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I KNOW. IT DID ME, TOO.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. SOMEBODY FROM THE PUBLIC HELD THIS  
22 ITEM.

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24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I KNOW. ANYWAY, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR.  
25 ANYWAY, THANK YOU FOR THE ROLE THAT YOU HAVE PLAYED. I THINK



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1 THAT THIS IS A VERY CRITICAL ISSUE FOR ALL OF US. AND I KNOW  
2 IT IS GOING TO TAKE SOME MONEY. BUT AS THE GOVERNOR AND SOME  
3 OF US HAVE BEEN EXPRESSING CONCERN ABOUT THE ALLOCATIONS AND  
4 FORMULA ALLOCATIONS OF HOW FEDERAL DOLLARS ARE RETURNED BACK  
5 INTO THE STATE AND HOW FEDERAL DOLLARS ARE ALLOCATED, IT IS  
6 INCUMBENT THAT WE HAVE A VERY SUCCESSFUL CENSUS PROCESS. WE IN  
7 THE COUNTY WHO ARE BENEFICIARIES OF AN EFFECTIVE FORMULA  
8 OUTCOME FOR THE STATE ALSO REQUIRE US TO DO ALL OF WHAT WE  
9 CAN. AND SO I KNOW THAT THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, ALL OF THE  
10 DEPARTMENTS ARE PLAYING A VERY CRITICAL ROLE. I'M SURE  
11 EVERYONE WILL BE DOING WHAT WE CAN IN ORDER TO EXPAND THE  
12 OUTREACH, GET INVOLVED IN TRYING TO LETTER ONE KNOW HOW  
13 SIGNIFICANT THIS IS. IT ISN'T JUST ABOUT COUNTING YOU. IT'S  
14 ABOUT COUNTING EVERYONE. AND MORE IMPORTANTLY OF WHAT THAT  
15 MEANS FOR THE NEXT 10 YEARS.

16

17 **MARTIN ZIMMERMAN:** ABSOLUTELY. YOU KNOW, TAKING OFF ON THE  
18 COMMENTS THAT MANY OF YOU AND YOUR COLLEAGUES MADE WHEN WE  
19 APPEARED BEFORE YOU ABOUT A MONTH AGO WITH OUR STATUS, WE  
20 ABSOLUTELY WANT TO FOCUS THE MESSAGE TO REINFORCE TO THOSE  
21 HARDEST ACCOUNT POPULATIONS, THAT IT'S IMPORTANT. IT FUNDS  
22 BASIC CRITICAL SERVICES THAT THEY ARE GOING TO BE COUNTING ON  
23 FOR THE NEXT 10 YEARS. IT IS EASY, IT'S A 10-MINUTE, 10-  
24 QUESTION SURVEY, AND IT IS SAFE. THE CENSUS BUREAU CANNOT  
25 SHARE THAT INFORMATION WITH ANYONE FOR 72 YEARS. SO WE'RE



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1 GOING TO BE PROMOTING THAT FAR AND WIDE. IN TERMS OF COUNTY  
2 DEPARTMENTS, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, I WANT TO REALLY THANK OUR  
3 PARTNERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. I MEAN ALL DEPARTMENTS ARE  
4 STEPPING UP AND HELPING. P.S.S. WITH THE T.S.E. PROGRAM.  
5 REGISTRAR-RECORDER IS HELPING US VERY MUCH. REGIONAL PLANNING,  
6 ALL DEPARTMENTS. THEY'RE REALLY STEPPING UP AND PITCHING IN.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

9

10 **MARTIN ZIMMERMAN:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ON THAT ITEM, MOVED BY  
13 SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF  
14 THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. WE DO HAVE ANOTHER SPEAKER  
15 ON THIS ONE? OH, MR. SACHS, I HAD FORGOTTEN THAT YOU HAD ALSO  
16 HELD THIS ITEM. SO IF YOU'D COME UP AND JOIN US. BEFORE WE  
17 APPROVE THIS ITEM. COULD I ASK MR. SACHS TO ALSO PREPARE  
18 YOURSELF TO SPEAK ON THE OTHER ITEMS YOU HELD? WHICH ARE ITEM  
19 NO. 5 AND ITEM NO. 17. THOSE OTHER ITEMS WEREN'T HELD BY  
20 ANYONE ELSE. OH, YES, OKAY.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR, WHILE HE'S COMING UP, CAN I  
23 ADD ONE MORE ADJOURNING MOTION? ABSOLUTELY.

24





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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WANT TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF  
2   AARON STOVITZ, A LAWYER FOR MANY YEARS IN LOS ANGELES, PASSED  
3   AWAY AT TARZANA HOSPITAL AT THE AGE OF 85 RECENTLY. AND THAT'S  
4   IT.

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6   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM. ALL RIGHT. SO  
7   THAT HAS BEEN ADJOURNED FOR SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, AS WELL.

8

9   **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. REGARDING  
10   THE FUNDING FOR THE CENSUS, YOU HAPPENED TO MENTION THAT THE  
11   GOVERNOR AND EVERYBODY IS COMPLAINING ABOUT WHAT CALIFORNIA'S  
12   GETTING BACK FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, AND YET THERE WAS AN  
13   ARTICLE IN I BELIEVE IT WAS SUNDAY'S PAPER, MAYBE SATURDAY'S  
14   NEWSPAPER, THAT SENATOR FEINSTEIN, MAYBE SENATOR BOXER SAID  
15   THAT THIS YEAR OR CALIFORNIA'S GOING TO BE GETTING BACK OVER A  
16   \$1.25 FROM THE STATE-- FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FUNDINGS BASED  
17   ON THE FACT THAT THEY'RE GOING TO BE INCLUDING-- SHE INCLUDED  
18   THE STIMULUS FUNDING THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS SENDING TO  
19   CALIFORNIA. SO BASED ON THAT, I WAS WONDERING WOULD IT BE  
20   PRUDENT, BECAUSE YOU WANT TO GET AS MUCH MONEY AS YOU CAN  
21   BASED ON THE COUNT, TO USE STIMULUS FUNDING TO ENHANCE THE  
22   COUNTY'S ABILITY TO COUNT PEOPLE? I MEAN, THAT WOULD BE A JOB  
23   CREATION. AND THE PAYBACK WOULD BE THAT YOU WOULD HAVE A MORE  
24   ACCURATE COUNT, HOPEFULLY. AND THAT IN, IN TURN, WOULD ALLOW  
25   YOU TO GET MORE FEDERAL FUNDING FROM THE GOVERNMENT. THANK



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1 YOU. ITEM NO. 5, AND REGARDING ACTIONS YOU WANT TO TAKE AT  
2 PALMDALE AIRPORT, AND I APPRECIATE SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH  
3 TAKING THIS ACTION, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF THE COUNTY OR  
4 THE PROSECUTOR-- COUNTY PROSECUTOR COULD LOOK INTO ANY ACTIONS  
5 ON D.W.P., THE CITY'S DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER. BECAUSE  
6 ONE OF THEIR CLAIMS, WHEN THEY ASKED IN I BELIEVE IT WAS LAST  
7 YEAR FOR A CITY REFERENDUM, CITY ITEM TO BE VOTED ON BY THE  
8 PUBLIC, WAS THAT THEY WERE GOING TO USE PROPERTY AT PALMDALE  
9 AIRPORT. THEY WERE GOING TO GET PROPERTY FROM L.A.W.A. TO USE  
10 FOR SOLAR ENERGY. AND IF THEY'RE GOING TO ELIMINATE OWNERSHIP  
11 OF-- L.A.W.A. IS GOING TO ELIMINATE OWNERSHIP-- BE REMOVED  
12 FROM PALMDALE OWNERSHIP, THEN WHAT EXACTLY WAS D.W.P.'S PLAN?  
13 OR WHAT EXACTLY IS-- THERE'S A SENSE OF DISCONNECT BETWEEN  
14 WHAT D.W.P. WAS SAYING AS PART OF THEIR ITEM ON THEIR ELECTION  
15 AND THE RESULTS THAT WE'RE SEEING THAT L.A.W.A.'S NOT EVEN  
16 GOING TO OWN THE PROPERTY ANYMORE. THANK YOU. I'M GOING TO  
17 PASS ON 17. IT WAS EXPLAINED TO ME. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. THANK YOU SO MUCH. ALL RIGHT.  
20 ON ITEM NO. 10, 5 AND 17, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECONDED  
21 BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED  
22 ON THOSE ITEMS.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, I HAVE ONE READ-IN MOTION.

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1    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** PLEASE.

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3    **SUP. KNABE:** IN LIGHT OF BOTH OF OUR CURRENT YEAR BUDGETARY  
4    SHORTFALLS AND A LIKELY LARGE SHORTFALL FOR NEXT FISCAL YEAR,  
5    I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE BEGIN TO FURTHER CONTROL  
6    SPENDING IN OUR CURRENT FISCAL 2009-2010 BUDGET. THIS BOARD  
7    HAS PRESENTLY TAKEN THE PRUDENT ACTION OF IMPLEMENTING A  
8    HIRING FREEZE WHERE ALL NON EMERGENCY-RELATED HIRING MUST GO  
9    THROUGH AND BE APPROVED BY A RIGOROUS C.E.O. PROCESS. TO DATE,  
10    THIS PROCESS HAS PROVEN SUCCESSFUL. IN ORDER TO BUILD UPON THE  
11    HIRING FREEZE SUCCESS, WE NEED TO FURTHER CONTROL SPENDING. I  
12    BELIEVE THAT WE SHOULD ESTABLISH ADDITIONAL C.E.O. REVIEWS OF  
13    DEPARTMENT SPENDING. I BELIEVE THE SAME C.E.O. REVIEW PROCESS  
14    THAT IS IN PLACE FOR THE HIRING FREEZE SHOULD ALSO BE APPLIED  
15    FOR NON-EMERGENCY ITEMS, FREEZE ASSETS AND SUPPLY SERVICES AND  
16    SPENDING. SO I WOULD MOVE, ONE, THAT THIS BOARD DIRECT THE  
17    C.E.O. TO REPORT BACK IN 14 DAYS WITH RECOMMENDATIONS HOW WE  
18    MIGHT IMPLEMENT A NON EMERGENCY FREEZE FOR FIXED ASSETS,  
19    SERVICES AND SUPPLIES, AND INCLUDES ADDITIONAL SPENDING REVIEW  
20    GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES THAT REQUIRE C.E.O. APPROVAL OF  
21    THESE VARIOUS EXPENDITURES BY ALL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. AND,  
22    TWO, THE BOARD DIRECTS THE C.E.O. TO REPORT BACK IN 14 DAYS ON  
23    WHAT MECHANISMS ARE IN PLACE TO ENSURE SALARY AND EMPLOYMENT  
24    BENEFIT SAVINGS DERIVED FROM THE HIRING FREEZE DO NOT END UP  
25    AS EXPENDITURES IN OTHER BUDGET UNITS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENTS.



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1 SO I BELIEVE IT'S A REPORT BACK. I BELIEVE MR. KALUNIAN, WE  
2 CAN PROCEED WITH THIS, RIGHT?

3

4 **ROBERT KALUNIAN, COUNSEL:** THAT'S CORRECT.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** WITH THAT, I WOULD MOVE THE ITEM.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IT'S BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED. ANY  
9 QUESTIONS, COMMENTS?

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT TAKES CARE OF MY SPECIALS, MADAME CHAIR.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'D LIKE TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING ADJOURNMENTS.

16 SANDRA LEE HAGERTY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 66, SURVIVED BY

17 HER HUSBAND CHRIS HARDNER ON THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN SOUTH

18 PASADENA FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. AND SANDY LEE OSTASH, A CLOSE

19 FRIEND OF MINE. WE ALSO SERVED ON THE SOUTH PASADENA POLICE

20 DEPARTMENT TOGETHER AND WE BOTH TAUGHT SCHOOL AND WERE

21 GRADUATES, CLASSMATES AT CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY LOS

22 ANGELES, PASSED AWAY THIS PAST MONTH. HIS WIFE WAS SURGICAL

23 NURSE AT OLIVE VIEW HOSPITAL. AND HE LEAVES TWO CHILDREN AND

24 TWO BROTHERS. VIRGINIA LORENZEN. SHE WAS INVOLVED IN THE

25 TARZANA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE RESEDA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



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1 AND THE SAN FERNANDO BUSINESS PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION, THE  
2 SAN FERNANDO PRAYER BREAKFAST ASSOCIATION, AS WELL AS THE  
3 FERNANDO AWARDS COMMITTEE, THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY, ST.  
4 JOSEPH'S THE WORKER CHURCH AND THE REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S  
5 FEDERATED. HER HUSBAND DONALD LORENZEN HAD SERVED IN THE CITY  
6 COUNCIL FOR A NUMBER YEARS AND SHE WAS INVOLVED WITH THE  
7 LORENZEN MORTUARY. SHE LEAVES HER SONS, DAVID AND JON. ROBERT  
8 MOSBACHER WHO WAS THE UNITED STATES COMMERCE SECRETARY UNDER  
9 PRESIDENT H.W. BUSH, GEORGE H.W. BUSH, THE 41, PASSED AWAY. HE  
10 WAS A GRADUATE OF WASHINGTON LEE UNIVERSITY AND MANAGED HIS  
11 FATHER'S BUSINESSES IN HOUSTON, TEXAS, BEFORE HE SERVED IN THE  
12 UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. EARL PARKER PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE  
13 OF-- MOSBACHER, FROM TEXAS. EARL PARKER, WHO WAS THE OWNER OF  
14 THE TYPEWRITER SHOP WHICH HIS FATHER ESTABLISHED IN 1928 AND  
15 HANDED DOWN TO EARL IN 1994. GREW UP IN ALHAMBRA, AND A  
16 GRADUATE OF SAN JOSE STATE UNIVERSITY. AARON STOVICH WAS JUST  
17 MENTIONED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. AND PASTOR ARTHUR  
18 TSUNEISHI, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 89. HE SPENT HIS LIFE  
19 AS A MINISTER AT JAPANESE AMERICAN CHRISTIAN CHURCHES,  
20 INCLUDING THE HOLINESS CHURCHES THROUGHOUT CALIFORNIA AND  
21 HAWAII. GRADUATE OF U.C.L.A. AND CALIFORNIA BAPTIST  
22 THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY. HE WAS THE PASTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES  
23 HOLINESS CHURCH WHERE HE PASTORED WITH PASTORS JAMES SUEHIRO,  
24 PASTOR BOB TSUJIMOTO AND PASTOR DAVID HOSOMI AND PASTOR SHUNJI  
25 MIZOGUCHI UNTIL HE RETIRED FROM THE FULL-TIME PASTOR IN 1989.



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1 HE WROTE IN ONE OF HIS WRITINGS ABOUT WHEN HE WAS INCARCERATED  
2 DURING WORLD WAR II, HE SAID "THUS EVEN TO THIS DAY, THOUGH I  
3 KNOW THAT THE INCARCERATION WAS AN UNCONSTITUTIONAL ACT  
4 INFLAMED BY RACISM, I OFTEN SHARE MY TESTIMONY THAT ONE GOOD  
5 THING ABOUT BEING IN PRISON WAS THAT I BECAME A CHRISTIAN IN  
6 AN AMERICAN CONCENTRATION CAMP." RANNEY GEORGE ADAMS, RESIDENT  
7 OF LANCASTER FOR 30 YEARS, HIS C.P.A. FIRM, WILSHIRE FINANCIAL  
8 SERVICES, SERVED MANY OF THE LARGE TRUSTS WITH COMPLEX  
9 FINANCIAL TAX NEEDS, WAS PAST PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF  
10 GOVERNORS OF THE RUTGERS CLUB OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, FOUNDING  
11 MEMBER OF ARCADIA'S EPISCOPAL HOME BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND  
12 SUPPORTER OF ARCADIA'S METHODIST HOSPITAL AND KIWANIS  
13 INTERNATIONAL. MEMBER OF THE CALIFORNIA SOCIETY OF C.P.A.S AND  
14 WAS AN ARMY OFFICER DURING WORLD WAR II AND THE KOREAN WAR.  
15 WILLIAM ALLEN "BILL" CLARK WAS WAITING APPOINTMENT TO THE  
16 COURT COMMISSIONER IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WAS GRADUATE OF SAN  
17 FERNANDO VALLEY COLLEGE OF LAW. BEGAN HIS LAW PRACTICE IN  
18 PALMDALE WHERE HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
19 AND THE ELKS LODGE. LARRY WESLEY YINGLING WAS WITH THE  
20 COUNTY'S ROAD DEPARTMENT FOR 30 YEARS, AND SERVED IN THE  
21 UNITED STATES ARMY. LONG TIME RESIDENT OF ANTELOPE VALLEY.  
22 JUNE ELLEN SUNDMACHER, OF BURBANK. SHE SERVED AS THE BURBANK  
23 MUNICIPAL COURT CLERK FOR 38 YEARS. DONALD HANSON, LONG-TIME  
24 RESIDENT OF ANTELOPE VALLEY, NAVY VETERAN OF WORLD WAR II. WAS  
25 A MEMBER, RANCHER AND AIRCRAFT MECHANIC AND INSTRUCTOR. WALTER





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1 EARL HIBBERT PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 100. HE WAS IN THE  
2 AIRCRAFT INDUSTRY AS INSTRUMENTATION TECHNICIAN. AND WAS  
3 INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY AND AN AVID PILOT. BILL MORRIS  
4 SERVED AS LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AS A DEPUTY.  
5 HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS IN THE DETECTIVE BUREAU. RICHARD LEWIS  
6 RUSHING, MEMBER OF GRACE CHAPEL IN ANTELOPE VALLEY FOR 58  
7 YEARS. SERVED IN THE NAVY DURING WORLD WAR II AND RECEIVED HIS  
8 LAW DEGREE AND WAS A PUBLISHED LAWYER, AUTHOR AND SONGWRITER.  
9 AND LAWRENCE "BUTCH" GODDE, GRADUATED ANTELOPE VALLEY HIGH  
10 SCHOOL, SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY DURING THE KOREAN  
11 CONFLICT, WAS A FARMER. AND FROM 1978 TO '87 WAS A RESERVE  
12 DEPUTY WHERE HE RETIRED WITH THE SHERIFF'S COUNTY DEPARTMENT  
13 AS A CAPTAIN. AND WAS A MEMBER OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY FAIR  
14 RULE OLYMPICS AND A LITTLE LEAGUE COACH. SO THOSE ARE MY  
15 ADJOURNMENTS.

16  
17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS.

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** JUST GIVE ME, MADAME CHAIR?

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21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES, SIR.

22  
23 **SUP. KNABE:** I FORGOT UNDER MY SPECIALS, WE HAD THE UPDATE ON  
24 THE FLOODS. ARE WE GOING TO HAVE ANYTHING ON OR ABOUT THESE  
25 PRISONER RELEASE?



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES. THE SHERIFF IS COMING IN AT 12. WE HAVE  
3 QUESTIONS FOR THE SHERIFF. HE'LL BE HERE AT 12.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** HOPEFULLY BEFOREHAND? HOPEFULLY  
6 BEFOREHAND.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN COULD WE CALL UP S-2?

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ITEM S-2? MR. SACHS, ITEM S-2, PLEASE?

11

12 **ARNOLD SACHS:** (INAUDIBLE COMMENT).

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES, WE DO.

15

16 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISORS, THIS IS THE UPDATE TO THE  
17 FISCAL FORECAST. AS OF JANUARY 6, 2010, UPDATED FROM THE LAST  
18 TIME WE GAVE IT TO YOU, EFFECTIVE AUGUST 25TH, 2009, WE GAVE  
19 THAT TO YOU IN SEPTEMBER. OVERALL, THE PICTURE FOR THIS YEAR  
20 AND NEXT YEAR HAS IMPROVED SINCE THEN, BUT WE'RE STILL  
21 REFLECTING A DEFICIT PROJECTION FOR THIS YEAR OF \$213 MILLION  
22 AND A CUMULATIVE DEFICIT OVER THE TWO YEARS OF \$576 MILLION.  
23 OTHER THAN THAT THE ONGOING COST REDUCTIONS THAT WE ARE  
24 CONTINUING TO PUSH AND PURSUE, THERE ARE THREE WAIVER-- I'M  
25 SORRY. THREE REVENUE ITEMS WHICH WE ARE CONTINUING TO WORK ON.



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1 ONE IS OF COURSE THE HOSPITAL FEE, WHICH IS APPROVED BY THE  
2 LEGISLATURE AND IS BEING REVIEWED BY C.M.S. THE SECOND IS THE  
3 F.M.A.P. EXTENSION, WHICH WILL HOPEFULLY AFFECT NEXT FISCAL  
4 YEAR. THAT'S PART OF THE JOBS BILL THAT'S AT CONGRESS. AND IF  
5 THAT'S APPROVED, WE ASSUME THAT THERE WILL BE AN EXTENSION OF  
6 THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE FOR THAT SAME PERIOD OF TIME. AND,  
7 FINALLY, THE 1115 WAIVER, WHICH IS THE-- IS DUE FOR RENEWAL  
8 STARTING FOR THIS NEXT YEAR. IN THE REPORT, WE HAVE GIVEN YOU  
9 SOME SCENARIOS TO TRY TO SHOW YOU THE DIFFERENT RANGE OF  
10 OUTCOMES THAT THIS COULD RESULT IN, AS WE GO THROUGH THE NEXT  
11 SIX MONTHS AND INTO NEXT YEAR. I PROVIDED YOU WITH A  
12 SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT, BECAUSE AFTER WE PROVIDED THE MAIN  
13 REPORT, WE GOT SOME ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE STATE. FIRST  
14 OF ALL, WE LEARNED THAT IN ADDITION TO THE UNDEFINED \$750  
15 MILLION WORTH OF MEDI-CAL REDUCTIONS THAT ARE IN THE STATE  
16 BUDGET, THAT THE STATE BUDGET ALREADY ASSUMES THE \$24 MILLION  
17 REDUCTION IN THE SAFETY NET CARE POOL AND THE SOUTH L.A. FUND  
18 TO OCCUR NEXT YEAR AS WELL AS HAPPENED THIS YEAR. THAT'S  
19 ALREADY IN WHAT YOU WOULD CALL THEIR STATUS QUO OR THEIR BASE  
20 BUDGET. THE OTHER ISSUE THAT I BROUGHT UP IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL  
21 MEMO HAD TO DO WITH THE STATE'S PROPOSED USE OF OUR CERTIFIED  
22 PUBLIC EXPENDITURES. OURS AND ALL THE OTHER COUNTIES. TO HELP  
23 THEM SOLVE THIS YEAR'S BUDGET DEFICIT. AND IT HAS SIGNIFICANT  
24 ISSUES NOT ONLY FOR THIS FISCAL YEAR, POTENTIALLY, BUT SETS  
25 REAL PRECEDENTS FOR THE NEXT WAIVER IN THE NEXT YEAR. THOSE



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1 ARE THE PRIMARY ISSUES THAT WE HAVE AS PART OF THIS, AND I'M  
2 HAPPY TO TAKE ANY QUESTIONS.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. ANY QUESTION OR COMMENT FROM MY  
5 COLLEAGUES? SUPERVISOR?

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** THE ONLY QUESTION. ANY IDEA - I MEAN OBVIOUSLY  
8 IT'S PREMATURE, BUT WAS MENTIONED TODAY ON THE NEWS THAT PART  
9 OF THE PRESIDENT'S STATE OF THE UNION IS GOING TO BE A  
10 POTENTIAL FREEZE ON DOMESTIC SPENDING. WOULD THAT IMPACT SOME  
11 OF YOUR NUMBERS IN THE OUT YEARS?

12

13 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** I DON'T THINK SO, SUPERVISOR. THE NEWS  
14 REPORTS I HEARD SAID THEY WERE NOT GOING TO BE TALKING ABOUT  
15 ENTITLEMENTS. AND I ASSUME THAT THAT WOULD NOT AFFECT THE  
16 EXTENSION OF THE F.M.A.P., EITHER.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** BECAUSE THAT F.M.A..P EXTENSION IS IMPORTANT.  
19 THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ANYONE ELSE? SUPERVISOR  
22 ANTONOVICH?

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN THE DEPARTMENT'S FISCAL OUTLOOK, AS  
25 INDICATED, THE DECISIONS HAVE NOT BEEN MADE ON A NUMBER OF



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1 CRITICAL FACTORS WHICH COULD HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE  
2 FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING THE NEW  
3 WAIVER, HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE, THE STATE BUDGET AND THE  
4 EXTENSION OF THE F.M.A.P. THE DEPARTMENT STATED THAT DEPENDING  
5 UPON THE OUTCOME OF THESE ITEMS, A PROPORTION OF THE REMAINING  
6 TOBACCO SETTLEMENT FUNDS MAY BE NEEDED TO COVER THE PROJECTED  
7 DEFICITS. SO THE QUESTION IS: WHEN DO YOU ANTICIPATE KNOWING  
8 THE FINAL OUTCOME OF THESE ITEMS? AND WHEN WOULD YOU MAKE THAT  
9 REQUEST TO THE BOARD FOR TOBACCO SETTLEMENT FUNDS?

10

11 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISOR, IT'S HARD TO PREDICT EXACTLY  
12 WHEN THESE WILL BE ACTED UPON. IT'S OUR ASSUMPTION THAT THE  
13 C.M.S. APPROVAL OF THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE COULD OCCUR BY  
14 ABOUT MARCH. WE HOPE THAT WILL BE THE CASE SO WE WILL HAVE  
15 MORE CERTAINTY AT THAT POINT. AND WE'RE HOPEFUL THAT THE JOBS  
16 BILL, WHICH I KNOW HAS OTHER IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNTY, BUT  
17 THE JOBS BILL, WHICH INCLUDES THE F.M.A.P. EXTENSION, WHICH  
18 AFFECTS NEXT FISCAL YEAR, WOULD BE DONE BY THAT POINT IN TIME,  
19 TOO. SO IT SHOULD GIVE US A LOT MORE CERTAINTY AT THAT POINT  
20 IN TIME.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT TIME FRAME IS THAT?

23

24 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** IT'S ABOUT MARCH, IS WHAT WE'RE  
25 ESTIMATING.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHEN DO YOU ANTICIPATE KNOWING THE FINAL  
3 OUTCOME? LET'S SAY IT'S GOING TO BE IN MARCH. THEN UNDER THE  
4 GOVERNOR'S BUDGET, MEDI-CAL PROGRAMS ELIMINATE NON EMERGENCY  
5 SERVICES FOR CERTAIN CLASSIFICATIONS. HOW DOES THIS IMPACT THE  
6 DEPARTMENT'S CURRENT SCOPE OF SERVICE TO THE IMMIGRANT  
7 POPULATION?

8

9 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISOR, IT'S A BIT-- THE GOVERNOR'S  
10 BUDGET INCLUDES \$750 MILLION OF UNDEFINED MEDI-CAL CUTS. IN  
11 WHAT'S BEEN DEFINED, WE DON'T SEE MUCH FURTHER IMPACT FROM  
12 WHAT THEY DID THIS YEAR OTHER THAN WHAT I MENTIONED, WHICH WAS  
13 THE SAFETY NET CARE POOL AND THE SOUTH L.A. FUND. BUT THAT  
14 \$750 MILLION IS A LOT YET TO BE DETERMINED. SO THEY COULD  
15 ELIMINATE ANYTHING THAT'S LEFT OF OPTIONAL BENEFITS. WE JUST  
16 DON'T KNOW AT THIS POINT.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN THE DEPARTMENT'S FISCAL FORECAST UPDATES,  
19 WHICH WAS SUBMITTED TO OUR BOARD YESTERDAY, YOU INDICATE THAT  
20 THE STATE HAS NOTIFIED YOU THAT THEY ARE PLANNING TO USE THE  
21 COUNTY'S EXCESS CERTIFIED PUBLIC EXPENDITURES TO DRAW DOWN  
22 CERTAIN FEDERAL FUNDS. THE STATE USE OF THESE FUNDS RAISES A  
23 NUMBER OF ISSUES WITH SERIOUS IMPLICATIONS FOR ONGOING FUNDING  
24 OF YOUR DEPARTMENT. SO WHAT PLANS AND STRATEGIES HAVE YOU  
25 DEVELOPED TO ADDRESS THIS FINANCIAL HIJACKING BY THE STATE?





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2 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** WELL, IN THE FIRST PLACE, A NUMBER OF THIS  
3 IS FROM THE VARIOUS PUBLIC HOSPITALS WOULD BE AFFECTED. I'M  
4 MEETING WITH KIM BELSHE ON FRIDAY TO TALK ABOUT THIS.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE WILL BE EXEMPTED?

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8 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** EXCUSE ME?

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** PUBLIC HOSPITALS WILL BE EXEMPT?

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12 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** NO. THEY WERE NOT. THEY ARE. THE COUNTIES  
13 THAT HAVE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ARE THE TARGET OF THIS.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE'RE THE TARGET, RIGHT. WHICH IS REALLY THE  
16 VIOLATION OF THE SPIRIT OF PROP 1 A.

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18 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** IT'S A REAL PRECEDENT-SETTING SITUATION.  
19 AND THAT'S WHY WE ASKED FOR A MEETING WITH HER TO GO AND TALK  
20 SPECIFICALLY WITH THE ADMINISTRATION AT THE STATE ABOUT THIS  
21 PRECEDENT-SETTING MOVE, BECAUSE IT HAS REAL IMPLICATIONS FOR  
22 THE NEXT FIVE YEARS IN TERMS-- BECAUSE THE ONLY POTENTIAL WE  
23 HAVE TO DRAW DOWN ADDITIONAL FEDERAL MONEY UNDER THE NEW  
24 WAIVER IS IF WE CAN USE OUR C.P.E.S OR I.G.T.S, ONE OR THE



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1 OTHER. SO IT HAS REAL IMPLICATIONS FOR OUR ABILITY TO GET  
2 THROUGH THE NEXT FIVE YEARS.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE DEPARTMENT CONTINUES TO SHOW THAT RANCHO  
5 OFF THE BOOKS AS OF JULY 1ST, 2010. AND GIVEN THE FACT THAT  
6 WE'RE ALREADY INTO JANUARY, THIS IS A VERY UNREALISTIC  
7 FINANCIAL ASSUMPTION AND RESULTS IN AN UNDERSTATEMENT OF YOUR  
8 DEPARTMENT'S DEFICIT PROJECTIONS PROJECTIONS. SO WHY DO YOU  
9 CONTINUE TO MAKE THAT ASSUMPTION?

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11 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISOR, THE DIFFERENCE IN IT FOR NEXT  
12 FISCAL YEAR, BECAUSE OF THE F.M.A.P., IS ABOUT \$24 MILLION.  
13 ONCE WE GET UP TO THE BUDGET PERIOD AND DETERMINATION IS MADE,  
14 WE WILL THEN, IF IT'S IN THE BUDGET, WE WILL ADD IT BACK IN.  
15 THAT'S BASED UPON THE CURRENT BOARD POLICY.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT YOU KNOW IT'S NOT GOING TO BE A 2010  
18 DATE, SO WHY NOT JUST TAKE IT OUT SO WE WOULD HAVE A REALISTIC  
19 UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT YOUR DEFICIT WOULD BE?

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21 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** WELL THAT'S WHY WE HIGHLIGHTED OR  
22 FOOTNOTED IT AS PART OF THE PLAN.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY NOT ELIMINATE IT INSTEAD OF HIGHLIGHTING  
25 IT?



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**SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ANYONE ELSE? LET ME JUST MENTION THAT I  
THANK YOU FOR THE UPDATE ON THAT REPORT. I THINK IT WAS VERY  
HELPFUL. I THINK THERE'S A LOT OF COLLECTIVE WORK THAT NEEDS  
TO BE DONE AS WE CONTINUE TO SORT OUT-- WE NEED TO WAIT FOR--  
WE NEED TO SEE WHAT THE STATE IS GOING TO DO. FEDERAL ACTION.  
THERE'S JUST SO MANY ISSUES THAT ARE GOING TO AFFECT THE  
OUTCOME OF WHAT KIND OF BUDGET IS DETERMINED IN THE DEPARTMENT  
OF HEALTH SERVICES. BUT I DO WANT TO PROVIDE FOR YOU SOME  
PARAMETERS, AS WELL. I THINK THAT AS YOU KNOW, I HAVE HAD  
TREMENDOUS CONCERN ABOUT UTILIZING TOBACCO FUNDS TO PLUG  
DEFICITS THAT WE'RE STILL NOT CLEAR ABOUT. AS A HOLDING  
PATTERN, IT MIGHT BE WORTHWHILE, BUT CERTAINLY NOT AS THE END  
RESULT. WE HAVE AN AWFUL LOT OF WORK TO DO HERE, BUT I WANT  
YOU TO KNOW, THERE WILL BE NO SUPPORT, AND I WILL TRY TO GET  
MY COLLEAGUES TO JOIN ME. I THINK THERE ARE MANY WAYS WE NEED  
TO RESOLVE THIS DEFICIT, AND IT'S NOT DIPPING INTO A SET OF  
RESERVES THAT ARE REALLY VERY ESSENTIAL FOR A SAFETY EVENT  
THAT'S VERY FRAGILE MOST OF THE TIME. BUT IT SHOULD BE USED  
FOR EXPANDING OR MEETING THE NEEDS OF DIRECT SERVICES. SO I  
SHARE THOSE PARAMETERS WITH YOU, BUT I THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR  
THE REPORT. IT WAS VERY HELPFUL.

23

**C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** TWO QUICK THINGS WITH RESPECT TO YOUR COMMENT.  
WE AGREE. WE'RE CLOSELY TRACKING THE WAIVER NEGOTIATIONS AS



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1 PROVIDER FEE. AND I WOULD JOIN WITH YOU THAT TOBACCO FUNDS  
2 SHOULD BE USED ONLY AS A BRIDGE. BUT THIS IS IF WE HAVE SOME  
3 CLARITY ON THE OTHER REVENUE SOURCES. WITH RESPECT TO RANCHO,  
4 WE'LL BE COMING BACK WITH A REPORT SHORTLY THAT SPEAKS TO THE  
5 NEXT STEPS THAT WE SHOULD TAKE WITH RESPECT TO RANCHO. THERE  
6 ARE SEVERAL OPTIONS THAT I THINK IT'S TIME THAT WE CONSIDER,  
7 WE LOOK AT THESE OPTIONS. WE'LL BE COMING BACK SHORTLY.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD.

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11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THANK YOU.

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13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR  
14 REPORTS.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BEFORE YOU LEAVE?

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18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'M SORRY.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, IT'S ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR  
21 YAROSLAVSKY.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHO IS MEETING WITH MISS BELSHE ON FRIDAY?

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1 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** IT'S THE C.E.O.S OF THE VARIOUS PUBLIC  
2 HOSPITALS ACROSS CALIFORNIA.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I FOUND THIS PARTICULAR LITTLE STUNT REALLY  
5 REPREHENSIBLE. OF ALL THE SNEAKY AND DASTARDLY THINGS THAT THE  
6 STATE HAS DONE OVER THE YEARS, THIS WAS AN AMBUSH. I THINK  
7 THAT THE INTENSITY OF THAT VIEW SHOULD BE CONVEYED, CERTAINLY  
8 CONVEY IT ON MY BEHALF. THIS IS NOT A WAY TO DO BUSINESS. I  
9 MEAN THEY ACTUALLY TOOK OUR WORK PRODUCT AND THEN HEISTED IT  
10 FOR THEIR OWN PURPOSES THIS DOES NOT SPEAK WELL FOR OUR  
11 RELATIONSHIP GOING FORWARD IN THE 1115 WAIVER NEGOTIATION. I,  
12 FRANKLY, DON'T-- UNLESS THIS IS QUICKLY RESOLVED, AND MAYBE IF  
13 IT IS QUICKLY RESOLVED, I THINK THAT OUR ROLE IN THE 1115  
14 NEGOTIATION HAS TO BE MORE UPFRONT, MORE ENGAGED BECAUSE I'M  
15 NOT SURE WE CAN TRUST THE STATE TO CARRY OUR WATER, IN FACT  
16 THAT'S KIND OF A SILLY STATEMENT. WE CAN'T TRUST THE STATE TO  
17 CARRY OUR WATER UNLESS WE'RE IN THE ROOM. AND I'M CONCERNED  
18 THAT OTHER DEALS ARE BEING MADE BEHIND OUR BACK, ESPECIALLY  
19 L.A. COUNTY'S BACK, BECAUSE THIS IS THE COUNTY THAT HAS MOST  
20 AT STAKE IN THE 1115 WAIVER GOING FORWARD. SO THIS THING HAS  
21 JUST ALL SORTS OF OTHER IMPLICATIONS. I'M SURPRISED AT  
22 SECRETARY BELLSHAY IF THAT'S WHO'S RESPONSIBLE. I DON'T KNOW  
23 IF SHE'S RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OR IF IT'S THE OFFICE OF BUDGET  
24 MANAGEMENT, OR WHOEVER IT IS. SHE MAY HAVE HAD LITTLE TO DO  
25 WITH IT, I DON'T KNOW, BUT I'M SURE THAT THE FEELING IS JUST



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1 AS INTENSE UP AND DOWN THE STATE AMONG THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS.  
2 HOW MANY COUNTIES ARE GOING TO BE REPRESENTED THERE, DO YOU  
3 KNOW?

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5 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** ABOUT TEN TO 12. THAT INCLUDES ALAMEDA,  
6 SAN FRANCISCO, SANTA CLARA, SAN MATEO, CONTRA COSTA, IF I  
7 DIDN'T SAY THAT. IT INCLUDES LOS ANGELES, OF COURSE AND  
8 RIVERSIDE AND VENTURA.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHO'S REPRESENTING US? ARE YOU GOING?

11

12 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** I'M GOING. ALLAN'S [WECKER] GOING.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. THE REMARKS MADE  
19 BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY SHOULD NOT BE TAKEN LIGHTLY. TO THE  
20 EXTENT THAT I'M PREPARED TO TAKE THEM SERIOUSLY, WE PROBABLY  
21 SHOULDN'T BE PASSIVE IN OUR PURSUIT OF PROTECTING OUR  
22 INTERESTS. SO I WOULD JUST WISH TO REGISTER, MADAME CHAIR,  
23 THAT I'M NOT SATISFIED THAT SUCH WILL BE DONE WITH THE CURRENT  
24 COURSE OF ACTION. PERHAPS IT IS APPROPRIATE FOR THE CHIEF  
25 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE APPROPRIATE MEMBER





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1 OF THE BOARD-- MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, TO THINK MORE  
2 STRATEGICALLY AS TO HOW WE IMPACT THIS RELATIONSHIP,  
3 PARTICULARLY IF WE ARE TALKING ABOUT THE DISCUSSIONS INVOLVING  
4 THE WAIVER, WHICH BECOMES EVEN MORE SIGNIFICANT THAN THE,  
5 QUOTE/UNQUOTE, "DAMAGE THAT MAY HAVE ALREADY BEEN DONE." AND  
6 TO THE EXTENT THAT SPECIFIC INDIVIDUALS' NAMES HAVE BEEN  
7 CALLED, WE NEED TO BE SURE THAT WE ARE SPOT-ON WITH RESPECT TO  
8 WHO'S CULPABLE AND/OR COMPLICIT, OTHERWISE WE ONLY INVITE MORE  
9 CONFLICT AND/OR POTENTIAL CONFRONTATION. AFTER ALL, WE ARE  
10 NEGOTIATING WITH THEM ON A NUMBER OF OTHER FRONTS. AND WE NEED  
11 TO BE GLOBAL, MR. FUJIOKA, IN TERMS OF WHAT OUR RELATIONSHIP  
12 IS WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND THE SPECIFIC PERSONS WHO  
13 ARE IN LEADERSHIP IN THE AREA OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, BE  
14 THAT THE SECRETARY AND/OR ANY SINGLE MEMBER OF HER TEAM. AND  
15 SO I THINK THIS WARRANTS MUCH FURTHER REVIEW BECAUSE IF WE ARE  
16 NOT PROACTIVE IN THE MANAGEMENT OF THIS, THINGS WILL GET WORSE  
17 RATHER THAN BETTER. SO, MADAME CHAIR, IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT  
18 THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE SHOULD THEREFORE BE INSTRUCTED TO COME  
19 BACK TO US WITH A WAY OF THINKING ABOUT HOW WE MOVE FORWARD  
20 RATHER THAN ASSUMING THAT THE CRITIQUES THAT HAVE BEEN  
21 PUBLICLY LODGED OUGHT TO STAND WITHOUT FURTHER RESOLUTION. IF  
22 THEY ARE NOT ATTENDED TO APPROPRIATELY, I THINK WE ARE  
23 POTENTIALLY INVITING A RESPONSE THAT WILL BE LESS FAVORABLE.  
24 AND THEN WE SEND STAFF TO DO OUR NEGOTIATION-- NEGOTIATING OR,  
25 QUOTE, UNQUOTE, "BIDDING" AND I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT IT WILL



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1 REDUCE ITSELF TO THAT WHICH IS UNDENIABLY INEFFECTIVE. SO, MR.  
2 FUJIOKA, THROUGH THE CHAIR, WE NEED A PLAN. AND I WOULD HOPE  
3 THAT WE CAN CONTAIN THE BLEEDING, OTHERWISE THE CONCERNS THAT  
4 HAVE BEEN RAISED WILL BE MORE DAMAGING THAN NOT, IRRESPECTIVE  
5 OF THE INTENTION.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, AGAIN, I DON'T  
8 HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT; BUT JUST TO LET YOU KNOW, HAVING  
9 GONE THROUGH THESE NEGOTIATIONS FOR FOUR TIMES--

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RIGHT.

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13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I CAN ASSURE YOU, I WISH IT WERE A TWO-WAY  
14 STREET. UNFORTUNATELY, THEY WILL TELL US WHEN THEY WANT TO  
15 TELL US.

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RIGHT.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THERE'S NOT MUCH DISCUSSION IN BETWEEN.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YEAH. I JUST DON'T WANT TO BE  
22 STRATEGICALLY DISADVANTAGED.

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24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OH, BELIEVE ME, WE TRY EVERYTHING TO BE  
25 OPEN, INVITING, COLLABORATIVE, REACHING OUT AT ALL TIMES. AND



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1 THERE'S NO DOUBT A PLAN IS ALWAYS HELPFUL. BUT IT IS A PLAN  
2 THAT THEY MUST HONOR, AS WELL.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR, IF I CAN JUST ADD, FIRST OF  
5 ALL, I DON'T THINK ANYBODY'S NAME WAS CALLED OUT TO THE EXTENT  
6 THAT KIM BELSHE'S NAME WAS CALLED OUT.

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8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RIGHT.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NONE OF US KNOW WHAT HER ROLE, IF ANY, WAS.  
11 AND I THINK THAT WAS CLEARLY STATED. I DO WANT TO ADDRESS THIS  
12 ISSUE OF WE HAVE OTHER FISH TO FRY. WE DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER  
13 FISH TO FRY THAT ARE AS IMPORTANT AND AS BIG A FISH AS THE  
14 1115 WAIVER. EXACTLY. EVERYTHING ELSE MEANS NOTHING. ALL OF  
15 THE OTHER PLANS AND DESIGNS AND DREAMS THAT WE ALL HAVE ABOUT  
16 VARIOUS THINGS WILL GO UP IN SMOKE IF WE GET TREATED-- I'M  
17 TRYING TO FIND A EUPHEMISM THAT CAN CAN PASS DECENCY MUSTER--  
18 BUT THAT WE DON'T GET SCREWED BY A NEGOTIATION. NOW, WE'VE HAD  
19 CLOSE CALLS. IN FACT, WE'VE BEEN HAD ON A COUPLE OF THE  
20 WAIVERS THAT WE HAD TO ONE EXTENT OR ANOTHER. BUT WE'VE NEVER  
21 HAD THIS KIND OF A SITUATION. IT'S ALMOST-- NOT ALMOST. IT'S  
22 AN ACT OF DESPERATION. AND IT'S A CHEAP ACT OF DESPERATION ON  
23 THE PART OF THE STATE, BECAUSE WHAT THEY'RE DOING HERE IS  
24 PENNIES COMPARED TO WHAT-- BUT IF THEY CAN GET AWAY WITH IT  
25 HERE, THEN KATIE BAR THE DOOR, BECAUSE THE 1115 WAIVER OFFERS



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1    THEM MUCH MORE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE MISCHIEF FOR US AND TO DEAL  
2    WITH THEIR BUDGETARY INADEQUACIES UP THERE THAN ANYTHING WE'RE  
3    TALKING ABOUT HERE. AND THAT'S THE CONCERN I HAVE. AND THE  
4    STRATEGY NEEDS TO INVOLVE THE BOARD, NOT JUST THE C.E.O., AND  
5    NOT JUST THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH. BUT THE BOARD. THIS IS  
6    HIGHLY POLITICAL. I WON'T GO INTO ANY MORE OF THAT NOW, BUT WE  
7    HAVE FRIENDS IN VARIOUS PLACES IN THE EXECUTIVE AND  
8    LEGISLATIVE BRANCHES IN WASHINGTON. AND THAT WAIVER IS GOING  
9    TO BE NEGOTIATED WITH WASHINGTON. AND I THINK WE JUST NEED TO--  
10   - I MEAN I AGREE WITH SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WE'VE BEEN DOWN THIS  
11   ROAD AT LEAST TWICE, MAYBE THREE TIMES. '95, 2000, 2002. AND  
12   SO WE KNOW IT'S COMING AND WE KNOW WHAT THE STATE'S-- WHAT  
13   LURES THE STATE TO DO THESE THINGS. AND THE LURE IS GREATER  
14   WITH BIGGER DOLLAR SIGNS TODAY THAN THEY'VE EVER BEEN. SO WE  
15   KNOW WHAT'S COMING AND BEING DIPLOMATIC ABOUT IT, AT LEAST AT  
16   MY END, THAT HASN'T WORKED VERY WELL IN THE PAST. AND I THINK  
17   WE HAVE-- STRATEGY IS DEFINITELY IN ORDER. AND I THINK THERE  
18   IS-- I THINK WE HAVE A LOT OF ROAD MAPS THAT WE CAN CALL ON TO  
19   DEVELOP A STRATEGY THAT IS UNIQUE TO THIS SITUATION. BUT I AM  
20   CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT THEY'VE DONE ON THE LIMITED MICRO ISSUES  
21   THAT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH RAISED, BUT THE IMPLICATIONS FOR  
22   THE-- FOR WHAT'S COMING DOWN THE ROAD BOTHER ME EVEN MORE, A  
23   LOT MORE. AND I'M HAPPY TO DISCUSS IT WITH ANYBODY WHO WANTS  
24   TO TALK ABOUT IT. BUT I'M TALKING TO OUR FOLKS IN WASHINGTON,



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1 ALREADY HAVE AND WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO. AND I THINK WE NEED  
2 TO PUT THEM ON NOTICE. AND WE'LL TALK ABOUT IT.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE COMMENTS AS PROPERLY INTERPRETED,  
7 MADAME CHAIR, WAS NOT AN EXPLICIT APPEAL FOR DIPLOMACY. IT  
8 WAS, AS I SAID IN MORE THAN ONE INSTANCE, AN EFFORT TO BE  
9 CLEAR ABOUT WHAT OUR STRATEGY WOULD BE PROSPECTIVELY. AND SO I  
10 WISH NOT TO BE MISINTERPRETED, MISQUOTED OR ANYTHING OF THE  
11 SORT. I AM CLEAR ABOUT THE NEED TO PROTECT OUR INTERESTS. AND  
12 THE FURTHER POINT WOULD BE THAT THE BOARD OUGHT TO BE ENGAGED.  
13 D.H.S. IS DOING THINGS ALREADY. WHAT IS BEING DONE IS NOT  
14 FULLY CLEAR AT THIS MOMENT. I WISH TO KNOW WHAT THE C.E.O.'S  
15 OFFICE IS DOING SO THAT THAT WHICH HAS HAPPENED CAN BE DEALT  
16 WITH AND THAT WHICH WE ARE INTENDING TO DO WITH RESPECT TO THE  
17 WAIVER IS ON THE PLATE OF EVERY SINGLE MEMBER OF THIS BOARD.  
18 AS OF THIS CONVERSATION, I KNOW OF NO SUCH PLAN, NO SUCH  
19 STRATEGY. AND MADAME CHAIR, IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT THAT  
20 OUGHT TO HAPPEN FOR OUR COLLECTIVE UNDERSTANDING, WISDOM AND  
21 EXECUTION.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. ALL RIGHT. OKAY. NOW WE HAVE  
24 MR. SACHS' COMMENTS ON THIS.

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1   **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. VERY  
2   QUICKLY. WHEN THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT WAS MENTIONING  
3   THE BUDGET DEFICIT, HE MENTIONED NEXT YEAR IS FORECASTED LIKE  
4   \$213 MILLION. BUT THE TWO YEARS COMBINED IS GOING TO BE OVER  
5   450-- I THOUGHT HE MIGHT HAVE EVEN SAID \$500 MILLION. SO I WAS  
6   WONDERING WHY THE-- I KNOW THE DEFICIT, BUT WHY THE INCREASE  
7   IN THE SECOND YEAR'S DEFICIT? WOULD THAT BE DUE TO WHAT THE  
8   STATE IS GOING TO BE TAKING FROM THE COUNTY? AND THAT BEING  
9   THE CASE, HOW IS THE BUDGET AFFECTED BY THE AMBULATORY  
10  SERVICES THAT ARE PROVIDED, THE TRANSFERRING OF THE PATIENTS  
11  AT COUNTY U.S.C. AND M.L.K. AND FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES. AND IF  
12  THERE'S ANY POSSIBILITY OF FAST TRACKING ANY OF THE WORK THAT  
13  CAN BE DONE TO REOPEN THE M.L.K. AS A FULL SERVICE HOSPITAL.  
14  THANK YOU.

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16  **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ON THAT ITEM, I THINK THE ITEM  
17  IS A REPORT, SO IT'S RECEIVE AND FILE. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR  
18  RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOUR SPECIALS, SIR.

19

20  **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR. MAY I  
21  BEGIN WITH THE FOLLOWING ADJOURNING MOTIONS. FLORENCE KIMIKO  
22  MURAKAWA-- CORRECTION -- MURAKAMI, MS. MURAKAMI, A LONG TIME  
23  RESIDENT OF GARDENA PASSED AWAY ON NEW YEAR'S DAY AFTER  
24  BATTLING DEMENTIA. SHE WAS BORN IN HAWAII ON FEBRUARY 5TH,  
25  1922. THE YOUNGEST OF 10 CHILDREN AND GRADUATED FROM MCKINLEY





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1 HIGH IN 1950. SHE EARNED A NURSING DEGREE AND WORKED AT  
2 VARIOUS HEALTHCARE FACILITIES ON THE ISLANDS, OAHU AND THE BIG  
3 ISLAND OF HAWAII ITSELF ,AND THEN MOVED TO LOS ANGELES IN 1956  
4 TO PURSUE AN R.N. DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN  
5 CALIFORNIA. WHILE IN LOS ANGELES, SHE MET FELLOW HAWAIIAN AND  
6 LOCAL PERSON KENNETH MURAKAMI, AND THEY MARRIED IN 1959. AFTER  
7 THEIR MARRIAGE, THEY SETTLED IN GARDENA WHERE THEY RAISED TWO  
8 CHILDREN, LINDA WHO WORKS FOR CUMMINS CAL PACIFIC, AND TRACEY  
9 WHO WORKS IN THE COUNTY'S CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE. WHEN MR.  
10 MURAKAMI PASSED AWAY SUDDENLY IN 1985, MRS. MURAKAMI RAISED  
11 HER TWO CHILDREN ALONE. SHE ENJOYED COOKING, BAKING AND  
12 GARDENING AND WAS KNOWN FOR HER GENTLE SPIRIT, HER  
13 GRACIOUSNESS AND HER LOVE OF FAMILY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER  
14 DAUGHTERS, LINDA AND TRACEY, GRANDSONS RUSSELL, DEVAN AND MANY  
15 NIECES, NEPHEWS AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS AS WELL AS MANY CLOSE  
16 FRIENDS, SOME OF WHOM ARE MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY FAMILY. ANNE  
17 MARIE STAAS NIEDORF WAS BORN ON OCTOBER THE SIXTH, 1942 IN  
18 BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS AND PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 67 ON  
19 NOVEMBER THE 15TH OF LAST YEAR. ANNE MARIE WAS RELENTLESS IN  
20 HER PASSIONATE SUPPORT OF SOCIAL ISSUES AND WAS A DRIVING  
21 FORCE IN DEMOCRATIC POLITICS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE MATTERS. SHE  
22 WAS THE PAST PRESIDENT AND BOARD MEMBER OF STONEWALL  
23 DEMOCRATIC CLUB AND PAST PRESIDENT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA  
24 CHAPTER OF AMERICANS FOR DEMOCRATIC ACTION. SHE WAS A FOUNDING  
25 MEMBER OF THE CAMPAIGN FOR ECONOMIC DEMOCRACY IN 1977 AND



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1 SERVED AS ITS VICE CHAIR UNTIL THE LATE '80S. SHE WAS ACTIVELY  
2 INVOLVED IN CIVIL RIGHTS AND PEACE MOVEMENTS OF THE 1960S AND  
3 WAS A TENACIOUS ADVOCATE FOR AFFORDABLE AND ACCESSIBLE  
4 HEALTHCARE. SHE ALSO ENJOYED PHOTOGRAPHY AND RECORDED A  
5 SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF POLITICAL AND SOCIAL JUSTICE ISSUES  
6 EVENTS IN THE 1980S. SHE SERVED AS THE FIRST WOMAN EUCHARISTIC  
7 MINISTER AT THE ST. THOMAS EPISCOPALIAN CHURCH IN HOLLYWOOD.  
8 SHE WILL BE FONDLY REMEMBERED FOR HER UNWAVERING ADVOCACY FOR  
9 JUSTICE FOR ALL AND FOR FULL EQUALITY FOR OFTEN MISTREATED  
10 GROUPS. SHE WILL BE DEARLY MISSED BY HER CLOSE FRIENDS AND  
11 THOSE WHO LOVED HER. AND I COUNT MYSELF AMONG THEM. HAZEL  
12 DELOISE POWELL. MRS POWELL WAS BORN IN 1929, NOVEMBER, IN  
13 TYLER, TEXAS, AND RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES IN 1941. SHE  
14 GRADUATED FROM JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL IN 1948 AND LIVED IN  
15 COMPTON FOR OVER 40 YEARS. SHE STARTED HER CAREER AT NORTHROP  
16 GRUMMAN AND LATER SHIFTED INDUSTRIES TO RETIRE AS A HOME CARE  
17 NURSE. SHE SUFFERED AN EARLY LOSS OF HER HUSBAND, LEAVING HER  
18 TO RAISE HER 11 CHILDREN AS A SINGLE PARENT. HER ENERGY AND  
19 SPIRIT, HER LOVE FOR HER CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN, HER  
20 DETERMINED WORK ETHIC, WILL ALWAYS BE FONDLY REMEMBERED. SHE  
21 LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER CHILDREN, LINDA, RAYMOND,  
22 BONITA, MICHAEL, TIMMY, SHARON, KIM, KEVIN, KELLIE, KENNETH  
23 AND KRISTIE. 36 GRANDCHILDREN, 23 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN AND A  
24 MULTITUDE OF OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS. WILLIE CLIFFORD  
25 ROBINSON WAS BORN ON FEBRUARY 20TH, 1938 IN EL DORADO,



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1 ARKANSAS. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS FROM  
2 1956 UNTIL 1962 WHEN HE WAS HONORABLY DISCHARGED. HE ENROLLED  
3 IN COMPTON JUNIOR COLLEGE IN 1969 AND THEN ATTENDED THE  
4 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT LOS ANGELES IN 1970. HE HELD  
5 SEVERAL LEADERSHIP POSITIONS THROUGHOUT HIS LIFE SPAN,  
6 INCLUDING FIELD REPRESENTATIVE FOR LABORERS' LOCAL 300,  
7 A.F.L.-C.I.O. CHAIRMAN OF THE A. PHILIP RANDOLPH INSTITUTE IN  
8 LOS ANGELES, BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADE COUNCILS AND  
9 UNITED BLACK INDEPENDENT LABOR COUNCIL AND PRESIDENT OF THE  
10 COALITION OF BLACK TRADE UNIONISTS OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA,  
11 AMONG NUMEROUS OTHER ROLES. HE RECEIVED A NUMBER OF AWARDS  
12 THROUGHOUT HIS CAREER INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO A  
13 STEWARDSHIP AWARD FROM THE UNITED WAY IN 1973, A COMMENDATION  
14 AWARD FROM THE BOYS' SCOUTS OF AMERICA IN 1991 AND THE TONY  
15 CARDENAS SERVICE AWARD FROM LABORERS' 300 IN 1999. HE IS  
16 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, ANDREA ROBINSON, AND SEVERAL FRIENDS AND  
17 COLLEAGUES. HE WILL BE SORELY MISSED. THAT CONCLUDES MY  
18 ADJOURNING MOTIONS, MADAME CHAIR.

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20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS.

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WITH YOUR PERMISSION, I'D LIKE TO PROCEED  
23 TO ITEM NO. 8.

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25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ITEM 8.



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2     **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND READ IN THE FOLLOWING AS IT PERTAINS  
3     TO CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION, INTERVENTION AND  
4     TREATMENT, A MATTER THAT WE HAVE ALL BEEN WORKING ON FOR THE  
5     PAST YEAR AND PRIOR TO MY BEING HERE. SUFFICE TO SAY THIS  
6     APPROVAL ALSO AUTHORIZED THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF  
7     CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES TO ISSUE SOLE SOURCE CONTRACTS.  
8     AND WHAT WE ARE SEEKING TO DO IS TO SPECIFY, AS INDICATED IN  
9     THE MOTION, THE MATTERS THAT WOULD BE DEEMED APPROPRIATE. THE  
10    PROGRAM CHANGE IS WITHIN THE BOARD'S AUTHORITY UNDER  
11    CALIFORNIA WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE. AND THE MOTION  
12    SIMPLY CALLS FOR THE FOLLOWING; THAT IS, TO APPROVE AS CLARIFY  
13    THE FUNDING ALLOCATION FOR THE SURPLUS FUNDS AVAILABLE THROUGH  
14    A.B.2994 FOR THE FOLLOWING BOARD-SUPPORTED PROGRAM. AND,  
15    SECONDLY, TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY  
16    SERVICES TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH THE  
17    GRAMMERCY HOUSING GROUP FOR THE PROVISION OF SAID SERVICES. I  
18    WOULD SO MOVE.

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20    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT ITEM AS AMENDED IS MOVED BY  
21    SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECONDED BY MYSELF. IS THERE ANY  
22    QUESTION OR COMMENT? ANY OBJECTION? IF NOT, SO ORDERED ON THAT  
23    ITEM.

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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND THEN FINALLY, THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR,  
2    ITEM NO. 11.

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4    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ITEM 11?

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6    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SIMPLY STATED, I BELIEVE THAT THIS IS A  
7    MATTER THAT THE BOARD ITSELF WAS APPROPRIATELY CONCERNED  
8    ABOUT, THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009, THE  
9    RECOVERY ZONE DESIGNATION. WHAT ISN'T HERE THAT I THINK SHOULD  
10   BE HERE IS A QUARTERLY REPORT BACKS TO THE BOARD. AND IN THAT  
11   WAY, IF WE CAN AMEND THIS BOARD REPORT ACCORDINGLY, I WOULD SO  
12   MOVE.

13

14   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO ON THAT ITEM, SUPERVISOR  
15   RIDLEY-THOMAS HAS REQUESTED A QUARTERLY REPORT BE PRESENTED TO  
16   THE BOARD. ANY OBJECTION? IF NOT, SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM.

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18   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. THAT CONCLUDES  
19   THE MATTERS THAT I WANTED TO BRING BEFORE THE BOARD TODAY.

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21   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. I DO NOT HAVE ANY. I HAVE TWO  
22   ADJOURNING MOTIONS. I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN. MY  
23   MOTHER-IN-LAW PASSED AWAY THIS WEEKEND, HELEN MARTINEZ. HELEN  
24   WAS BORN IN COTTONWOOD, ARIZONA AND MOVED TO SUPERIOR, ARIZONA  
25   WHERE SHE WAS ORPHANED AND HAD TO RAISE HER NINE BROTHERS AND



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1 SISTERS BY HERSELF, FOR THE MOST PART, WHERE SHE MET AND  
2 MARRIED LIBERATO MARTINEZ WHO EVENTUALLY-- AND RAISED FOUR  
3 CHILDREN. AND SHE PASSED AWAY THIS WEEKEND, AND SO WE ARE ALL  
4 HEARTBROKEN ABOUT IT. BUT SHE HAD A VERY WONDERFUL LIFE AND  
5 SHE WAS A TREMENDOUS WOMAN, A VERY HARD WORKING WOMAN. AND IT  
6 SADDENED THE ENTIRE FAMILY. SO I ASK WE ADJOURN IN HER MEMORY.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL MEMBERS.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD, THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO ALSO ASK  
11 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT  
12 EMPLOYEE FREDERICK LEE GREEN. HE RECENTLY PASSED AWAY IN A  
13 TRAGIC AUTO ACCIDENT. MR. GREEN WORKED FOR THE I.S.D.  
14 PURCHASING DIVISION FOR NINE YEARS. HE WAS A TREASURED MEMBER  
15 OF THE COUNTY FAMILY. HE WAS A DEDICATED FAMILY MAN, VERY  
16 ACTIVE IN HIS CHURCH AND COMMUNITY. I WANT TO EXTEND OUR  
17 HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO THE ENTIRE FAMILY. ALL RIGHT.  
18 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS, WE HAVE THE SHERIFF  
21 WITH US TODAY. I'D LIKE TO ASK A COUPLE QUESTIONS RELATIVE TO  
22 THE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IS GOING TO BE  
23 RELEASING INMATES TO NOT JUST OUR COUNTY BUT ALL 58 COUNTIES.  
24 AND THEY'RE GOING TO BE REDUCING THEIR STATE PRISON BY 6,500  
25 AND THEN REMOVING SUPERVISION FOR MORE THAN 7,700 COUNTY





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1 PAROLEES IN OUR COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND WHAT'S INTERESTING  
2 IS ONE OF THE COMMENTS THAT THE SPOKESMAN FOR THE CALIFORNIA  
3 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION HAD SAID, HE SAID  
4 "THIS IS GOING TO HELP BETTER PARTNER WITH COMMUNITIES IN  
5 MANAGING MINOR PAROLE VIOLATORS." I'M NOT AWARE OF ANY  
6 ADDITIONAL RESOURCES THAT ARE GOING TO BE PROVIDED FOR US TO  
7 TAKE THE ABILITY TO HELP THESE INDIVIDUALS. HE ALSO STATE THAT  
8 "THE LAW IS GOING TO ALLOW REDUCING PAROLE AGENTS' CASELOADS  
9 AND SAVING THE STATE \$100 MILLION. BUT IT LOOKS AS THOUGH  
10 THEY'RE GOING TO BE INCREASING THE NUMBER OF CASELOADS. AND  
11 THEN THE POINT THAT WAS BEING MADE, THAT THAT THOSE WHO CREATE  
12 FUTURE PROBLEMS WILL BE ABLE TO HAVE ACCESS TO DRUG AND MENTAL  
13 HEALTH TREATMENT CENTERS. AND THE QUESTION IS: WHY AREN'T THEY  
14 GIVING THEM THAT TREATMENT CENTER NOW INSTEAD OF WAITING FOR  
15 THEM TO COMMIT A CRIME? SO, SHERIFF, WERE YOU NOTIFIED THAT  
16 THESE PAROLEES WOULD BE RELEASED IN OUR COUNTY?

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18 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YES. AND WITH ME IS CHIEF ALEX YIM OF OUR  
19 CORRECTIONAL SERVICE DIVISION AND CHIEF NEIL TYLER FROM FIELD  
20 OPERATION, REGION 1. WE HAVE BEEN WORKING DILIGENTLY FOR  
21 MONTHS IN ANTICIPATION OF THIS POSSIBILITY. AND NOW THAT IT'S  
22 OPENED ITS DOOR, THERE ARE A NUMBER OF CRUCIAL ELEMENTS THAT  
23 I'D LIKE TO SHARE WITH YOU AS TO WHAT CAN BE DONE AND WHAT WE  
24 ARE DOING. FIRST OF ALL, SO YOU KNOW THE DEMOGRAPHICS OF THE  
25 WHOLE CRIMINAL POPULATION AS FAR AS PRISONS ARE CONCERNED AND



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1 PAROLE, OVER 170,000 IN THE STATE SYSTEM, 116,000 ON PAROLE  
2 CURRENTLY. AND THEN IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THERE'S 40,000  
3 PEOPLE ON PAROLE. NOW, WITH WHATEVER THEY DO, THE TRUTH IS, IS  
4 THAT WE HAVE TO DO SOMETHING BETTER HERE THAN WE'VE EVER DONE  
5 BEFORE. AND THE PLANNING PROCESS THAT I PUT IN PLACE MONTHS  
6 BACK IS THAT WE NEED TO HAVE A RE-ENTRY SYSTEM THAT IS NOT  
7 ONLY DEPENDENT UPON COUNTY JAILS, IN PART, BUT THERE HAS TO BE  
8 A DIRECT- DIRECT-TO-THE-COMMUNITY REENTRY PROGRAM THAT WE'RE  
9 WORKING ON NOW WITH THE POLICE CHIEFS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.  
10 THE THEORY WOULD BE THAT IF THEY'RE RELEASED FROM THE COUNTY  
11 JAIL AS PART OF THE RE-ENTRY PATH OR THEY'RE RELEASED DIRECTLY  
12 TO THE COMMUNITY, AS WHAT I BELIEVE WILL BE ALSO DONE, THAT  
13 EVERY POLICE DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE INVOLVED IN THE GEOMAPPING  
14 OF WHERE THESE PEOPLE LIVE. WHERE ARE THEY GOING TO GO AND  
15 WHERE THEY LIVE? AND BECAUSE OF OUR EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE WITH  
16 COMMUNITY TRANSITIONS UNIT WITHIN OUR COUNTY JAIL, WE BELIEVE  
17 THAT BIOMETRIC DATA ON THESE INDIVIDUALS SHOULD BE GIVEN TO  
18 US. AND WE'VE BEEN ASSURED THAT IT WILL BE. THE LOGISTICAL  
19 ASPECT OF THIS IS IF THEY'RE BEING RELEASED FROM OTHER PRISONS  
20 UP AND DOWN THE STATE, THE QUESTION IS: WHY? AND SHOULD THEY  
21 BE RELEASED IN SINGULAR PLACE SO THAT WE CAN MANAGE SOME OF  
22 THE BIOMETRIC DATA IN THE ENROLLMENT OF THE PAROLEES INTO OUR  
23 COMMUNITY-BASED EDUCATION PROGRAMS? SO THESE QUESTIONS ARE  
24 STILL BEING FORMULATED IN THE WAY OF ANSWERS. AND I THINK THAT  
25 OUR KEY POINT HERE, THERE'S SOME LEGISLATION THAT I'VE SOUGHT



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1 THAT WOULD AUTHORIZE US TO HAVE LOCAL PAROLEES ON SOME ELEMENT  
2 OF ANKLE BRACELET MONITORING CAPABILITY. THE DETAILS OF THAT  
3 ARE STILL YET TO EVOLVE BECAUSE THIS LEGISLATION NOW HAS  
4 ATTRACTED THE STATE PRISON OFFICIALS AND THEY'RE WONDERING WHY  
5 HAVEN'T WE THOUGHT OF THE SAME THING? SO IN SUM, WE HAVE A  
6 PROBLEM THAT WE HAVE NOT HAD BEFORE. AT THE SAME TIME, THE  
7 PAROLEES ARE RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE INTEND TO  
8 TRACK THEM. WE INTEND TO OFFER THEM CLASSES THAT WOULD BE  
9 APPROPRIATE FOR LIFE SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND HOW TO FUNCTION AT  
10 A MORE CIVILIZED LEVEL IN THEIR COMMUNITIES AND HOPEFULLY NOT  
11 COMMIT NEW CRIME. BUT THE KEY POINT HERE IS THAT IT'S A MAJOR,  
12 MAJOR PROBLEM. IT'S NOT SOMETHING WE'VE INVITED.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THOSE ARE THE ONES THAT YOU WILL STILL  
15 SUPERVISE. WHAT ABOUT THOSE THAT YOU WILL NO LONGER HAVE  
16 SUPERVISION OVER?

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18 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THEY WILL ALSO BE OFFERED REMEDIAL CLASSES  
19 OF VARIOUS TYPES TO HELP THEM GET ON WITH THEIR LIFE.

20  
21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY DON'T WE DO THE CLASSES BEFORE? WHY WAIT  
22 FOR THEM TO COMMIT ANOTHER CRIME? WHY NOT HAVE AN ONGOING?

23  
24 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THAT'S WHAT WE'RE INTENDING TO DO. THAT  
25 WE'RE NOT WAITING FOR THEM TO DO SOMETHING WRONG TO GET ANY OF



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1 THESE CLASSES. WE ARE SEEKING THEIR VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION AS  
2 A METHOD FOR THEM TO PREVENT THEMSELVES FROM ENGAGING IN  
3 FUTURE CRIME.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. THE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF  
6 CALIFORNIA, THEY STATE, MR. HINKLE, QUOTING HIM, "THE LAW  
7 ESTABLISHES AND EXPANDS DRUG AND MENTAL HEALTH RE-ENTRY COURTS  
8 FOR PAROLEES TO RECEIVE TREATMENT RATHER THAN BEING RETURNED  
9 TO PRISON FOR VIOLATIONS." SO THESE MENTAL HEALTH AND DRUG  
10 REHAB PROGRAMS, ARE THEY ALREADY IN PLACE? ARE THEY GOING TO  
11 BE CREATED TO HANDLE THIS GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS? AND IS FUNDING  
12 IN PLACE TO DO THIS?

13

14 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** MY RESPONSE TO YOU IS I DON'T KNOW BECAUSE  
15 THE STATE MAKES PROCLAMATIONS OF VARIOUS TYPES, AND THEY  
16 SWEEPINGLY PROPAGANDIZE THAT A SOLUTION IS OUT THERE WHEN IT'S  
17 NOT. AND THEY DON'T EVEN HAVE AN ADMINISTRATIVE ARM TO EXPLAIN  
18 HOW THEY'RE GOING TO DO THIS. AND THEY ULTIMATELY, IN MY  
19 OPINION, MISLEAD THE PUBLIC INTO THINKING THAT THERE'S SOME  
20 ANSWER TO WHAT IS NOT AN ANSWER.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE SOLUTION IS A PROBLEM. AND THEY'RE  
23 SELLING THE PROBLEM AS A SOLUTION AND ALL THEY'RE DOING IS  
24 CREATING A BIGGER PROBLEM, BECAUSE AS WE SPEAK, THE DEPARTMENT  
25 OF MENTAL HEALTH, NOT JUST IN OUR JURISDICTION AND IN THE



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1 OTHER STATE COUNTIES, ARE HAVING TO CUT VITAL PROGRAMS,  
2 NECESSARY PROGRAMS; AND NOW WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A WHOLE GROUP  
3 OF INDIVIDUALS SHOWING UP FOR PROGRAMS THAT DON'T EXIST. AND  
4 HOW DO YOU GO OUT AND HIRE SOMEONE TOMORROW WHEN WE DON'T KNOW  
5 THE EXACT NUMBER OF THE THOUSANDS THAT ARE COMING THE DAY  
6 AFTER? IT'S STUPID. I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT A STATE AGENCY WOULD  
7 PUT THIS OUT EXPECTING PEOPLE TO BELIEVE THAT THIS IS A  
8 PANACEA WHEN IN FACT IT'S A PANDORA'S BOX.

9

10 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** I COULDN'T AGREE WITH YOU MORE, SUPERVISOR.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE PAROLEES, ARE THEY STILL SUBJECT TO  
13 SEARCHES BUT NOT SUPERVISION? AND THEN WHO WOULD BE  
14 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SEARCHES? AND WHAT IS THE PURPOSE, IF  
15 THERE ARE NO CONSEQUENCES?

16

17 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL I BELIEVE THAT THE CONDITIONS OF PAROLE  
18 WILL BE IN PLACE. WHAT THEY'VE DONE RECENTLY WITH THE 7,000  
19 PLUS THAT THEY BELIEVE WILL COME TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS THAT  
20 THEY SAY THEY WILL BE NONREVOCABLE PAROLE. BUT THAT DOESN'T  
21 MEAN THAT THE PAROLE CONDITIONS HAVE BEEN VACATED.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHEN THE STATE CLAIMED THAT ONLY THOSE  
24 PAROLEES WHO WERE LOW RISK WOULD NO LONGER BE SUPERVISED, WHAT  
25 TYPE OF CRIMES WERE THESE INDIVIDUALS INITIALLY CHARGED WITH?



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1 BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT THROUGH THE PLEA BARGAINING SYSTEM, MAJOR  
2 FELONIES ARE MANY TIMES REDUCED TO LESSER MISDEMEANORS OR  
3 LESSER FELONIES.

4

5 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL, THE DYNAMIC OF EACH PRISONER'S  
6 BIOMETRICS REGARDING THEIR CRIMINAL HISTORY IS PART OF WHAT  
7 WE'RE SEEKING FROM THE STATE. AND WE WANT TO HAVE THAT  
8 INFORMATION IN OUR FILES. WE HAVE AN ALL-CRIMES CENTER THAT  
9 TRACKS ALL OF THE CRIME THAT OCCURS WITHIN THE COUNTY OF LOS  
10 ANGELES, INCLUDING INDEPENDENT JURISDICTIONS. AND MY BELIEF IS  
11 THAT ONCE WE GET THE BIOMETRIC DATA OF THE CRIMINAL HISTORIES  
12 OF THESE PAROLEES THAT ARE BEING RELEASED, WE'LL BE ABLE TO  
13 ANSWER YOUR QUESTION IN THAT RESPECT.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHEN DO YOU RECEIVE THAT INFORMATION?

16

17 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** AS SOON AS THEY'RE RELEASING THEM, THEY  
18 SHOULD PROVIDE THAT IMMEDIATELY.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEY WILL PROVIDE THE ENTIRE--

21

22 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THEY SHOULD. I DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY'RE GOING  
23 TO PROVIDE, SUPERVISOR. THIS HAS NOT BEEN--

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT PROTOCOL IS NOT IN PLACE AND PRESENTED  
2   TO THE 58 COUNTY SHERIFFS AS TO THE RECIPIENTS YOU'LL BE  
3   RECEIVING.

4

5   **SPEAKER:** LET ME CHECK WITH ALEX.

6

7   **ALEX YIM:** SUPERVISOR, THEY HAVE ESTABLISHED AN ENHANCED  
8   DATABASE, WHICH IS NOT FULLY FUNCTIONAL. AND A LOT OF THE  
9   INFORMATION THAT YOU'RE ASKING WILL BE AVAILABLE, THEY'RE  
10  PROMISING US. BUT AS OF YET IT'S NOT.

11

12  **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT IT'S NOT FUNCTIONAL.

13

14  **ALEX YIM:** IT'S PARTIALLY FUNCTIONAL. IT'S VERY BASIC.

15

16  **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S LIKE GIVING YOU A CAR WITH NO GAS AND  
17  TELLING YOU TO DRIVE.

18

19  **ALEX YIM:** YES, SIR.

20

21  **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO YOU HAVE A PLAN TO PROACTIVELY KEEP A  
22  CLOSE WATCH ON THOSE PAROLEES WHO WILL NO LONGER BE SUPERVISED  
23  BY THE STATE?

24





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1   **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YES, THE THEORY IS OUR FIELD OPERATIONS  
2   STATIONS WILL HAVE THE GEOMAPPING OF ALL THE PAROLEES'  
3   ADDRESSES AND THE BIOMETRIC INFORMATION THAT WE HAD, THAT HAS  
4   BEEN GIVEN TO US. AND THEN IT'S OUR INTENT TO MAKE CONTACT  
5   WITH THESE INDIVIDUALS AND OFFER THEM THESE REMEDIAL COURSES  
6   THAT WILL HELP THEM STAY STABLE AND CRIME-FREE. RIGHT NOW,  
7   WITHOUT POLICE INVOLVEMENT, I THINK WE'RE MAKING A SERIOUS  
8   CALCULATED RISK THAT IS GOING TO FAIL. THE STATE IMPLIES  
9   SOMEHOW THAT THERE ISN'T ANYTHING OTHER THAN TO DO FOR THEM  
10   BUT RELEASE PEOPLE. AND WE'RE ON THE RECEIVING END OF THIS,  
11   AND MY BELIEF IS THAT THROUGH PROPER TECHNOLOGY AND PROPER  
12   DEPLOYMENT OF PERSONNEL WHO ARE ALREADY IN THE FIELD, THAT WE  
13   OUGHT TO KNOW WHERE THESE PAROLEES ARE, WE OUGHT TO KNOW THE  
14   CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH THEY'RE UNDER PAROLE. WE ALSO OUGHT TO  
15   KNOW WHAT CAPACITY THEY HAVE TO SUSTAIN THEMSELVES WITHOUT  
16   CRIME.

17

18   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AS IT RELATES TO OUR JAILS, WHAT IS THE  
19   PERCENTAGE OF TIME THAT OUR INMATES ARE CURRENTLY SERVING?

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21   **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** IN THE STATE PRISON?

22

23   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN THE COUNTY.

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1   **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** RIGHT. NOW THE MALES ARE AT 70 PERCENT AND  
2   THE FEMALES AT 20 PERCENT.

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4   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 70/20. HOW WOULD THAT PERCENTAGE CHANGE BASED  
5   UPON THE STATE PROPOSAL TO HAVE SOME OFFENDERS SERVE THEIR  
6   TIME IN COUNTY JAIL INSTEAD OF PRISON.

7

8   **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL THE STATE IS UNREALISTIC ABOUT THE  
9   COUNTY JAILS BEING A FIRST AND LAST PLACE FOR STATE PAROLEES--  
10   EXCUSE ME NOT STATE PAROLEES, BUT STATE OFFENDERS. WHEN YOU  
11   COMMIT A FELONY, THE STATE PRISON WAS DESIGNED FOR THAT. BUT,  
12   YOU KNOW, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I'LL SAY ABOUT THE STATE IN  
13   TERMS OF ITS DECISION-MAKING PROCESS: WHEN YOU HAVE A PANEL OF  
14   FEDERAL JUDGES THAT HAVE SUCH AN UNREALISTIC POSITION OF POWER  
15   THAT IS BASICALLY DISASSEMBLING THE SAFETY NET OF A STATE'S  
16   PRISON SYSTEM, IT REALLY IS AN UNFAIR ELEMENT IN THIS WHOLE  
17   PROBLEM. WHEN A GOVERNOR IS BEING TOLD BY FEDERAL JUDGES THAT  
18   "YOU GOT TO DO THIS" AND THEN THE LEGISLATORS DON'T HAVE A  
19   REMEDY BECAUSE THE FEDERAL COURT IS SAYING "WE KNOW BETTER  
20   THAN ANYONE ELSE." WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT IT, AND ALL BECAUSE OF  
21   THE PURPORTED ABSENCE OR INSUFFICIENCY OF MEDICAL SERVICES,  
22   WHICH TO THE ME IS-- WE'VE BEEN POUNDING THIS MEDICAL NEED OF  
23   EVERYBODY SO HARD THAT WE DON'T EVEN ASK OURSELVES: WHAT ARE  
24   THE SELF-CONTRIBUTORS TO PEOPLE'S BAD HEALTH? AND PRISONERS  
25   CERTAINLY ARE CONTRIBUTORS TO THEIR OWN BAD HEALTH. IT'S NOT



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1 ALL THAT YOU'RE SUBJECT TO A MISTAKE IN WHATEVER THE BIOLOGIES  
2 OF YOUR BODY ARE. WHEN PEOPLE PUT AS MUCH DRUGS INTO THEIR  
3 SYSTEM AS SOME OF THESE PRISONERS DO, WHEN THEY HAVE INCESSANT  
4 SMOKING HABITS, WHEN THEY DON'T EXERCISE UNLESS IT'S JUST TO  
5 LIFT IRON, ALL OF THIS LEADS TO THE STATE HAVING TO PAY FOR  
6 HEALTH SERVICES-- AND THEY ARE PAYING FOR IT. THEY ARE  
7 PROVIDING IT. THEIR QUESTION IS: SHOULD IT LOOK LIKE CEDAR  
8 SINAI HOSPITAL OR SHOULD IT LOOK LIKE A JAIL? AND WE'VE AGAIN  
9 THROUGH THIS HERE LOCALLY. AND WE'VE DONE, I THINK, A TERRIFIC  
10 JOB WITH OUR MEDICAL SERVICE. WE'RE THE ONLY CERTIFIED MEDICAL  
11 SYSTEM IN CALIFORNIA FOR PRISONERS. BUT THE ANXIETY AND THE  
12 FRUSTRATION THAT ALL OF US HAVE IS THE FEDERAL JUDGES OUGHT TO  
13 LIGHTEN UP A LITTLE BIT UNTIL WE CAN FIX THIS THE RIGHT WAY.  
14 AND I DON'T THINK WE'RE BEING UNREASONABLE. I'M NOT BEING  
15 UNREASONABLE IN MY COMMENTS. IF WE CAN SEND OUR BEST TO IRAQ  
16 AND AFGHANISTAN TO SLEEP IN TENTS AND LIVE IN WIND STORMS AND  
17 LITERALLY BE CARED FOR IN FIELD HOSPITALS AND ULTIMATELY COME  
18 BACK SEVERELY MAIMED AND MENTALLY IMPACTED, AND THAT SOMEHOW  
19 IS ACCEPTABLE IN THE STANDARD OF AMERICAN MEDICINE, AND YET  
20 WHAT GOES ON IN JAILS, WHICH IS PRETTY GOOD MEDICINE, BY THE  
21 WAY, THAT'S VIEWED AS BEING UNREASONABLE, UNFAIR AND  
22 UNCONSTITUTIONAL? IT IS AN INCONSISTENT MESSAGE THAT THE  
23 FEDERAL COURT HAS PUT OUT RELATIVE TO THE HEALTHCARE NEEDS OF  
24 PRISONERS IN OUR STATE PRISON SYSTEM. THE WHOLE THING BEGAN AT



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1 THAT LEVEL WITH THIS DISASSEMBLING OF THE STATE PRISON SYSTEM.

2 I REALLY THINK THE PUBLIC DESERVES BETTER FROM ITS COURT.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS WHEN JUDGES BEGIN TO FEEL

5 THEY'RE THE LEGISLATURE AND THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH AND ATTEMPT

6 TO EXERCISE, WHICH MANY FEEL IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL DECISIONS,

7 THAT IMPACT NOT JUST ONE CASE BEFORE THEM, ONE ISSUE, BUT

8 DISASSEMBLES THE ENTIRE STATE OPERATION. THIS IS GOING TO

9 AFFECT SCHOOLS. THIS IS GOING TO AFFECT THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE

10 SECTOR, ALL ELEMENTS OF OUR COMMUNITY AND STATE.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** SOMETIMES JUDGES EVEN RUN TRANSIT SYSTEMS.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S RIGHT. BUT WHAT WE NEED-- HAS DR.

15 SOUTHARD BEEN ENGAGED IN THESE NEW MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS THAT

16 ARE GOING TO BE DEVELOPED?

17

18 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** I HAVE NO IDEA.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MAYBE, BILL, WE COULD ASK THE DEPARTMENT OF

21 MENTAL HEALTH TO REPORT BACK NEXT WEEK AS TO THEIR UPDATE ON

22 HOW THEY'RE GOING TO HANDLE THE ADDITIONAL MENTAL HEALTH

23 PROGRAMS THAT ARE BEING REQUIRED BY THIS ACTION AND THE

24 RELEASE OF THE INMATES. I MEAN, BEFORE AN EDUCATOR TEACHES A

25 CLASSROOM OF STUDENTS, YOU HAVE TO HAVE A LESSON PLAN AND BE



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1 PREPARED. AND HERE WE'RE GOING TO HAVE THE STUDENTS, WHICH ARE  
2 GOING TO BE THE INMATES, AND THERE ARE GOING TO BE NO LESSON  
3 PLAN, NO PREPARATION. AND YOU KNOW THAT THE CHECK'S NOT  
4 WAITING FOR YOU TO BE CASHED TOMORROW FOR THESE PROGRAMS. YOU  
5 WILL HAVE TO GO THROUGH A LONG PROCESS TO GET FUNDING. AND TO  
6 GET THAT FUNDING, YOU HAVE TO HIRE PEOPLE TO BEGIN ORGANIZING  
7 THESE PROGRAMS. IT'S REALLY A CHAOTIC SITUATION. WE'RE LIKE--  
8 YOU KNOW, THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA'S GOLDEN BEAR HAS TO BE  
9 REPLACED WITH A BANANA BECAUSE WE'RE BECOMING LIKE A BANANA  
10 REPUBLIC. IT'S CRAZY. IT IS REALLY CRAZY. AND AGAIN, PUBLIC  
11 SAFETY IS WHAT WE ARE MOST RESPONSIBLE FOR, MAINTAINING ORDER  
12 IN THE COMMUNITY, AND THIS ACTION'S GOING TO CREATE DISORDER.  
13 AND THEN THEY'RE GOING TO BLAME PUBLIC SAFETY FOR NOT ACT TO  
14 PROTECT THE PUBLIC. HOW CAN YOU PROTECT THE PUBLIC WHEN YOU  
15 HAVE A COURT, MANY TIMES, ACTING, MANY FEEL  
16 UNCONSTITUTIONALLY, RELEASING ALL THE INMATES? IT'S BIZARRE.  
17 BUT I APPRECIATE YOUR INVOLVEMENT. BUT IF WE COULD GET THAT  
18 INFORMATION BACK. MENTAL HEALTH IS GOING TO HAVE TO DEVELOP  
19 SOME EMERGENCY-- I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW MENTAL HEALTH IS GOING  
20 TO DO THIS WHEN HE'S BEING ASKED TO CUT.

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22 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL WE'RE GOING TO ACTUALLY TRACK,  
23 PARTICULARLY MENTAL HEALTH, BUT ALL COSTS FROM VARIOUS COUNTY  
24 SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH THIS MOVE.

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1    **SUP. KNABE:** BUT ALL THIS PREPARATION THE SHERIFF IS MAKING OR  
2    MENTAL HEALTH, WHATEVER, IF THEY DON'T GET THE INFORMATION,  
3    YOU KNOW, THE PREPARATION'S FOR NAUGHT. YOU NEED THE  
4    INFORMATION. AND THAT'S WHAT YOU SAY IS INSUFFICIENT AT THIS  
5    PARTICULAR POINT, IS THAT CORRECT?

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7    **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** PLUS I DON'T HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO COMPEL  
8    THEM TO ATTEND THE CLASSES EVEN IF I HAVE THE BIOMETRICS.

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10   **SUP. KNABE:** MAYBE WE CAN GET A JUDGE TO COMPEL THEM.

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12   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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14   **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THANK YOU.

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16   **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, SHERIFF.

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18   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (OFF MIC. COMMENTS). PATRICK O'ROURKE. AND  
19   ARNOLD SACHS. WAKE UP, MR. SACHS. OH, OKAY. JUST A LITTLE  
20   SNOOZE. MR. CLANCY YOU'RE HERE? YES, SIR. CHRISTINE? YES. HOW  
21   ABOUT NICOLE PARSONS? OH, SHE'S IN LANCASTER. ARE WE READY FOR  
22   THAT? WE'RE NOT READY YET. OKAY. WHY DON'T WE BEGIN. MR.  
23   CLANCY.

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1 **DAVID CLANCY:** HELLO. I'M HERE JUST TO COMMENT ON THERE'S A  
2 PROPERTY, REALLY A TREASURE IN A COMMUNITY CALLED THE ROLAND  
3 HEIGHTS. IT'S CURRENTLY OWNED BY A CHURCH AND A SCHOOL. AND A  
4 GROUP OF PASTORS CAME IN AND ARE IN THE PROCESS OF ATTEMPTING  
5 TO ILLEGALLY SELL THE PROPERTY, WHICH HAS BEEN BLOCKED BY THE  
6 CONGREGATION AND THE SCHOOL. IT'S IN THE COURTS RIGHT NOW. BUT  
7 THIS PLACE, IT'S A PARK-LIKE SETTING. I HAVE THREE KIDS THAT  
8 GO TO SCHOOL THERE. AND I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF THE CONGREGATION.  
9 AND I WOULD JUST LIKE-- IT'S IN DON KNABE'S DISTRICT IN THE  
10 AREA OF ROLAND HEIGHTS. AND THE COMMUNITY IS QUITE UPSET ABOUT  
11 THE IDEA OF THIS BEING REZONED AND TURNED INTO 775 APARTMENT  
12 UNITS BY TRAMMELL CROW, WHICH IS THE ATTEMPT THAT'S HAPPENING  
13 RIGHT NOW. AND I'M HERE TO SIMPLY ADDRESS THE BOARD OF  
14 SUPERVISORS AND SAY THAT THIS IS A LOVED AREA. IT'S PARK-LIKE.  
15 THERE'S A FARMER'S MARKET EVERY SATURDAY. THE COMMUNITY REALLY  
16 LOVES THIS BEING IN THE AREA. AND IT'S QUITE UPSETTING WHAT IS  
17 OCCURRING. AND WHEN THIS COMES BEFORE YOU BY TRAMMELL CROW AND  
18 REZONING, THAT THIS SHOULD BE SOMETHING, I THINK, THAT SHOULD  
19 BE CONSIDERED CRITICALLY BY YOU. I THINK IT WOULD DAMAGE THIS  
20 COMMUNITY GREATLY TO HAVE THIS PROPERTY REZONED FOR THESE  
21 APARTMENT UNITS. THAT'S MY COMMENT.

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. WE'RE OBVIOUSLY WELL AWARE OF THE ISSUE  
24 AND HAVE RECEIVED NUMEROUS LETTERS AND WE'RE WATCHING THE  
25 ISSUE VERY CLOSELY. I KNOW THERE WAS AN INTERNAL THING GOING





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1 ON BETWEEN SOME OF THE FAMILIES OF THE SCHOOL AND WHETHER OR  
2 NOT THE CHURCH HAS THE RIGHT TO SELL AND DOING ALL THAT. SO  
3 WE'RE WATCHING IT VERY CLOSELY. AND OBVIOUSLY MY OFFICE AND  
4 MYSELF HAVE PUBLICLY STATED OUR OPPOSITION TO 700 PLUS UNITS.  
5 SO WE'RE GOING TO WATCH IT VERY CLOSELY. A MEMBER OF MY STAFF  
6 WILL GET YOUR NAME AND INFORMATION AND WE'LL FOLLOW UP WITH  
7 YOU.

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9 **DAVID CLANCY:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

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13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. ARMENIAN?

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15 **CHRISTINE ARMENIAN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DR. CHRISTINE  
16 ARMENIAN. I'M A DENTIST WITH A MASTERS IN PUBLIC HEALTH. I'M A  
17 PART OWNER OF A PRACTICE IN GLENDALE LIMITED TO CHILDREN ONLY.  
18 I LOVE WHAT I DO AND DO MY BEST TO PROVIDE EXCEPTIONAL DENTAL  
19 CARE FOR THESE CHILDREN IN A FUN AND HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT. I'M  
20 AWARE THAT A CHILD NEEDS TO BE HEALTHY, TO BE ABLE TO GO TO  
21 SCHOOL AND EXCEL AND BE PART OF OUR WORKFORCE. HOWEVER, TODAY  
22 TOOTH DECAY IS A NUMBER ONE CHRONIC HEALTH PROBLEM IN  
23 CHILDREN. DAILY I'M DIAGNOSING CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF FIVE  
24 THAT HAVE FULL MOUTH DECAY, WHICH MEANS 14 TO 18 CAVITIES PER  
25 CHILD. IDEALLY EACH ONE OF THESE CHILDREN SHOULD BE TREATED



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1 UNDER I.V. SEDATION. IN DIFFICULT AND LARGE CASES LIKE THIS,  
2 IF A CHILD UNDER FIVE IS NOT ASLEEP, THEY NEED TO BE SEEN  
3 THREE TO FIVE TIMES ABOUT AN HOUR EACH TIME UNTIL THE  
4 TREATMENT IS COMPLETED. ALTHOUGH WE DO OUR BEST TO SING, SHOW  
5 AND TELL AND HELP THE CHILD THROUGH THIS WITH THEIR  
6 CAREGIVERS' HELP, MANY TIMES IT DOES NOT WORK AND THE CHILD  
7 CRIES FROM THE FEAR OF SOUNDS, VIBRATION AND DISCOMFORT EVEN  
8 WHEN THEY HAVE NO PAIN. OUR PRACTICE, WHICH IS EXAMPLE OF  
9 OTHER PRACTICES IN THE COUNTY, 7,848 ACTIVE PATIENTS, 5,500 OF  
10 THESE PATIENTS ARE MEDI-CAL, OF WHICH 1,000 ARE BELOW THE AGE  
11 OF 5. DAILY WE ARE DIAGNOSING TWO TO THREE FULL MOUTH CASES  
12 UNDER THE AGE OF FIVE. AS OF THE LAST SIX MONTHS, I CANNOT  
13 FIND AN ANESTHESIOLOGIST WHO WILL COME TO THE TREAT THESE  
14 PATIENTS. THE ANESTHESIOLOGIST WHO WAS DOING IT SAID MEDI-CAL  
15 WILL NO LONGER PAY HIM FOR THE CASES EVEN IF IT WAS  
16 AUTHORIZED. I HAVE ADVERTISED AND USED HEAD HUNTERS TO ATTEMPT  
17 TO FIND OTHER ANESTHESIOLOGISTS AND THEY ALL HAVE SAID EITHER  
18 MEDI-CAL WILL NOT PAY FOR THEIR SERVICES OR THEY WON'T PAY  
19 MORE THAN \$182 FOR TWO HOURS WHICH BARELY COVERS THE PRICE OF  
20 THEIR MEDICATIONS. I HAVE ALSO ATTEMPTED TO ASK PARENTS TO PAY  
21 FOR THIS SERVICE, BUT DUE TO THEIR ECONOMIC STATUS, USUALLY  
22 THEY CANNOT AFFORD TO. I RECENTLY CALLED MEDI-CAL AND ASKED  
23 UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES THEY WILL PAY FOR I.V. SEDATION IN  
24 PRIVATE PRACTICE AND THEY SAID I.V .SEDATION IS COVERED FOR  
25 CHILDREN WITH MENTAL AND PHYSICAL LIMITATIONS OR WITH LOCAL



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1 ANESTHETIC CONTRAINDICATIONS. SO WHAT ARE WE LEFT WITH? IS NO  
2 ONE WILLING TO PROVIDE I.V. SEDATION FOR OUR MEDI-CAL  
3 PATIENTS? SO WHAT HAPPENS IN THESE PATIENTS? THEY EITHER LEAVE  
4 AND DON'T RETURN UNTIL THE CHILD HAS CELLULITIS AND NEEDS TO  
5 BE HOSPITALIZED OR WE DO OUR BEST TO DO OUR BEST TO TREAT  
6 THEM, BUT AT TIMES ARE TRAUMATIZED. PERSONALLY AS A DENTIST,  
7 WE GET ZERO FINANCIAL INCENTIVE FOR HAVING I.V. SEDATION IN  
8 OUR OFFICE. HOWEVER THE ONLY BENEFIT WILL BE THE WELL-BEING  
9 AND VITAL HEALTH OF THESE CHILDREN TO BE TREATED IN A WAY THAT  
10 ARE SAFE AND NOT TRAUMATIC. THIS LINGERING EFFECT OF FEAR CAN  
11 BE CARRIED INTO ADULTHOOD AND THE REST OF THEIR LIVES. TODAY,  
12 I'M HERE TO BRING YOUR ATTENTION TO THIS PROBLEM AND ASK YOU  
13 TO PLEASE GIVE US THE TIME FOR A FUTURE AGENDA PRESENTATION. I  
14 WANT YOUR HELP TO FIND OPTIONS TO MINIMIZE THIS PROBLEM IN OUR  
15 CHILDREN BY FINDING FUNDING EITHER THROUGH FIRST FIVE, WHICH  
16 ACTUALLY RIGHT NOW IS FUNDING FOR THE RIVERSIDE AND SAN  
17 BERNARDINO AREA OR OTHER GRANTS TO HELP PAY FOR I. V SEDATION  
18 FOR CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF FIVE.

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20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** HAVE YOU SPOKE TO YOUR ASSEMBLYMAN YET?

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22 **CHRISTINE ARMENIAN:** NO.

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24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT'S WHERE YOU SHOULD START. IT WOULD BE  
25 THE BEST PLACE.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** ALSO ON FIRST FIVE--

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** BUT THE PROBLEM IS, THAT, AGAIN, THERE ARE  
5 GRANTS THAT THEY CAN APPLY THROUGH UNDER FIRST FIVE. IT'S NOT  
6 THIS BOARD'S RESPONSIBILITY TO TELL FIRST FIVE.

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT JUST PRIOR TO YOU TAKING OVER,  
9 WE PASSED \$5 MILLION FOR ORAL HEALTH. IT SHOULDN'T BE HERE; IT  
10 SHOULD BE AT FIRST FIVE.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** EXACTLY. BUT EVEN MEDI-CAL CHANGES GO  
13 THROUGH THE STATE.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** PHILIP CHEN, MY DEPUTY, WILL TALK TO YOU ON  
16 THE SIDE AND HELP YOU THROUGH THAT PROCESS.

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18 **CHRISTINA ARMENIAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. O'ROURKE? MR. SACHS, DO YOU  
21 WANT TO BEGIN? YES, SIR. MR. O'ROURKE.

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23 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** OKAY. YOU KNOW, YOU REMEMBER ME. I'VE BEEN  
24 COMING HERE EVERY SO FEW WEEKS TO GO AHEAD AND COMMENT ON THE  
25 STATE OF THE DISPENSATION-- THE DISPOSITION OF MY CHILD AND



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1 THE STATE OF AFFAIRS AT CHILD SERVICES. TODAY I COME WITH A  
2 SOLUTION. I UNDERSTAND THAT THE STATE AND THE COUNTY IS HAVING  
3 BUDGETARY PROBLEMS. I ALSO KNOW OF OTHER THINGS THAT RELATE TO  
4 THIS SOLUTION THAT I'M GOING TO GO AHEAD AND PUT FORWARD. ONE  
5 OF THEM IS COMMUNITY POLICING EFFORTS, THE FUNDING THAT THE  
6 SHERIFFS AND THE LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT HAVE ASKED FOR EXTRA  
7 OFFICERS AND OTHER PROGRAMS AND SERVICES. I HAVE THE ONE THING  
8 THAT THIS BOARD, THAT THE POLITICAL MOVEMENT HAS BEEN  
9 UNWILLING TO MOVE ON, AND THAT IS THAT SOCIAL WORKERS ARE NOT  
10 DETECTIVES. THEY'RE NOT POLICE OFFICERS. THEY'RE NOT  
11 DETECTIVES. BUT THEY'RE FORCED TO WORK IN THAT CAPACITY.  
12 THEY'RE FORCED. NOW RECENTLY THE BOARD HAS PASSED REQUIREMENTS  
13 THAT SUPPORTIVE SERVICES BE GIVEN TO PARENTS, THAT DRUG  
14 PROGRAMS, MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AMONG OTHERS, PARENTING  
15 PROGRAMS, BUT NOT THE RESOURCES TO GO AHEAD AND STATE WHETHER  
16 OR NOT THEY'RE CRIMINALS. A LOT OF TIMES-- AND THIS HAS BEEN  
17 COMING FROM PARENTS-- SOCIAL WORKERS AND THOSE INVOLVED IN THE  
18 CASES, INCLUDING THE ORGANIZATIONS THAT PROVIDE PARENTING,  
19 PROJECT FATHERHOOD AMONG ONE OF THEM, THAT SOCIAL WORKERS  
20 DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT A PERSON IS A CRIMINAL BASED UPON AN  
21 ARREST. AN ARREST, AS YOU KNOW, IS NOT A CONVICTION. IT MEANS  
22 THAT THEY ARE DETAINED FOR POSSIBLE CAUSE, NOT BECAUSE THEY  
23 COMMITTED A CRIME. BUT, YET, OVER AND OVER AND OVER, SOCIAL  
24 WORKERS ARE REQUIRED TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT THIS PERSON  
25 IS A CRIMINAL. AND THEY USE THE ARREST TO GO AHEAD AND CONVICT



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1 A PERSON WITHOUT A TRIAL. THEY ARE TAKEN TO THE JUDGE. THEY  
2 SAID THAT THEY'VE BEEN ARRESTED. THEY'RE A CRIMINAL. THIS IS  
3 NOT THE CASE. AND I WISH THAT THE BOARD WOULD ACT ON THIS. TO  
4 EXPAND THE COMMUNITY POLICING, TO EXPAND THE OFFICERS BY  
5 INTRODUCING AN IDEA OF THAT OFFICERS APPLYING FOR DETECTIVE  
6 STATUS, LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS AND SUCH, BE WORKING WITH  
7 SOCIAL SERVICES, WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY  
8 SERVICES, AMONG OTHERS, TO EXPAND THE COMMUNITY POLICING TO  
9 DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT IF A PERSON-- TO INVESTIGATE THE  
10 CRIMES THAT ARE ALLEGED. A SOCIAL WORKER WALKING INTO A HOME  
11 FINDS MAYBE THAT THERE MAY BE EYE A FEW DIRTY DISHES.

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13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. O'ROURKE. WE HAVE  
14 MR. BOBBY COOPER WOULD PLEASE JOIN US? MR. SACHS.

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16 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. I DON'T  
17 KNOW IF YOU MIGHT HAVE HAD A CHANCE TO READ TODAY'S L.A. TIMES  
18 IN THE EDITORIAL SECTION, IT SAID "MANAGING MASS TRANSIT." I  
19 CAN'T TELL YOU HOW MUCH I DISAGREE WITH THAT. MORE ABOUT  
20 MANAGING MASS TRANSIT'S MANAGEMENT. THERE IS SOME CONCERNS  
21 BECAUSE OF A DEFICIT THAT M.T.A. IS GOING TO BE FACING. AND  
22 WHO CAN YOU TALK TO ABOUT THIS? I DON'T KNOW. I APPRECIATE THE  
23 FACT THAT SUPERVISOR MOLINA, THAT YOU GOT UP AND WERE  
24 CONCERNED ABOUT THE HANKY PANKY THAT OCCURRED ON THE EAST SIDE  
25 EXTENSION. YOU DIDN'T WANT THE SAME KIND OF HANKY PANKY



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1 OCCURRING ON THE EXPOSITION LINE. YOU DISCUSSED THE FACT THAT  
2 THERE WAS A DELAY IN A PROJECT. PHASE 1, SECTION 1, VERSUS  
3 PHASE 1, SECTION 2 OF THE EXPO LINE. THAT HERE IN EXPO  
4 PRINTOUT, OR ACTUALLY METRO PRINTOUT, THE METRO TRANSIT CORE  
5 STUDY SHOWS AN EXPO ROUTE THAT INCLUDES STATIONS AT LA BREA,  
6 LA SIENEGA AND WASHINGTON NATIONAL, WHILE THE WEST SIDE SUBWAY  
7 EXTENSION, WHICH WAS PUT OUT IN APRIL OF 2009 AND THE PREVIOUS  
8 WEST SIDE EXTENSION UPDATE WAS PUT DOWN IN SEPTEMBER, SHOWS  
9 STATIONS AT EXPO, LA CIENEGA, JEFFERSON AND VENICE AND  
10 ROBERTSON. ONE OF THE COMPLAINTS WAS THAT WE HAVE A DELAY IN  
11 THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE EXPO BECAUSE OF A NEW STATION THAT WAS  
12 PLANNED, THAT BEING THE ONE AT VENICE-ROBERTSON. BUT THEY  
13 DIDN'T SAY IT WAS SPED UP BECAUSE YOU ELIMINATED THE STATION  
14 AT WASHINGTON AND NATIONAL AFTER YOU USED THE MONEY, YOU ADDED  
15 THE MONEY INTO PHASE 1 OF EXPO. WHY ALL THESE QUESTIONS? WHY  
16 ALL THIS COMMENTARY? BECAUSE WHEN I BRING UP THE SAME  
17 DOCUMENTATION REGARDING THE EAST SIDE EXTENSION OR THE GOLD  
18 LINE, YOU GET NOTHING. YOU HAVE A REGIONAL TRANSIT CONNECTIVE  
19 CORRIDOR PROJECT. YOU HAVE A STORY IN THE L.A. TIMES REGARDING  
20 A NOVEMBER 15TH THAT 79,000 RIDERS WENT FROM LONG BEACH TO  
21 DOWNTOWN L.A. IN THE BLUE LINE. AND 22,000 RIDERS WENT FROM  
22 DOWNTOWN TO PASADENA ON THE GOLD LINE. BUT IF THE BLUE LINE  
23 HAD BEEN BUILT AS IT HAD ORIGINALLY BEEN PLANNED FROM LONG  
24 BEACH TO UNION STATION IN PHASE 1, CONTINUED UP TO PASADENA,  
25 YOU'D HAVE ONE LINE CARRYING OVER 100,000 PASSENGERS INSTEAD





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1 OF THESE FRAGMENTED LINES THAT SOMEHOW MAKE IT INTO THE M.T.A.  
2 PLAN, THESE REGIONAL PLANS, THESE YEAR TO DATE PLANS. IT'S THE  
3 SAME STORY AND WE WONDER WHY WE HAVE A DEFICIT. THANK YOU,  
4 MISS MOLINA.

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6 **BOBBY COOPER:** YES, MY NAME IS BOBBY COOPER. I'VE BEEN HERE  
7 SEVERAL TIMES ON SEVERAL MEETINGS TO THE CITY COUNCIL WITH  
8 REGARDS TO MY MOTHER KATHY, SHE WAS ALIVE AT THAT TIME. SHE IS  
9 NOW DEAD. THIS IS MY MOTHER AND I. THIS IS MY MOTHER AND I 12  
10 WEEKS AGO. I'M COMING BACK AND FORTH IN HERE AND I HAVE A  
11 PROBLEM WITH COUNTY SOCIAL WORKERS THAT TOOK HER FROM ME. IT  
12 WAS ALL BECAUSE OF INSURANCE, INSURANCE MONIES. ALL OF THIS,  
13 EVERYTHING THAT'S HAPPENED TO ME IS BECAUSE OF INSURANCE  
14 MONEY, THEY'RE COLLECTING ON INSURANCE MONEY. I WAS THROWN OUT  
15 OF MY APARTMENT, EVERYTHING IN MY APARTMENT STOLEN. MY CAR,  
16 EVERYTHING. BECAUSE I MAKING THESE ALLEGATIONS, I'M HARASSED  
17 ON A CONTINUOUS BASIS. I'VE HAD NO POLICE PROTECTION  
18 WHATSOEVER. I'VE GOT TWO MORE TELEPHONES SINCE I'VE BEEN HERE.  
19 I SHOWED YOU MAYBE 13, 14 TELEPHONES THAT THEY JUST TAPPED,  
20 MONITOR EVERYWHERE I GO. I'M HARASSED CONTINUOUSLY. WHEN IS IT  
21 MY TURN FOR POLICE PROTECTION? WHAT AM I? I'M NOT A CRIMINAL.  
22 I'M AN ARTIST. THERE'S NOTHING MENTALLY ILL ABOUT ME. THIS IS  
23 ALL ABOUT CORRUPTION. L.A., SOCIAL SERVICE WORKERS, CONNECTED  
24 TO RIVERSIDE SOCIAL SERVICE WORKERS. I DON'T NEED THIS, YOU  
25 KNOW. I SUBMITTED A PORTFOLIO TO WHAT IS THAT, KATHLEEN



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1 AUSTRIA, TO GIVE TO RIDLEY-THOMAS TO LET HIM KNOW WHO I AM.  
2 I'M NOT A CRIMINAL. MY MOTHER WOULD HAVE BEEN ALIVE TODAY HAD  
3 IT NOT BEEN FOR SOCIAL WORKERS OR ANYONE IN THIS COUNCIL WOULD  
4 HAVE ACTED ON MY ALLEGATIONS. I TURNED DOCUMENTS OVER TO WITH  
5 REGARDS TO A POLICE HARASSMENT, OVER TO ANGIE MENENDEZ AT ED  
6 RAILSON'S OFFICE. I'VE BEEN DEALING WITH THIS GENTLEMAN FOR 15  
7 YEARS, FILING THESE COMPLAINTS. THIS IS THE ONLY AVENUE THAT  
8 CITIZENS HAVE, YOU KNOW. MY MOTHER'S DEAD. I CAN'T DO NOTHING  
9 ABOUT THAT. BUT THEY WON'T EVEN HELP ME GET THE DEATH  
10 CERTIFICATE ON MY MOTHER. THE MINUTE I LET THEM KNOW, ALL HELL  
11 BREAKS LOOSE. L.A. COUNTY WORKERS KNOW MY PROBLEM. I DON'T GET  
12 NO HELP. I GET OPPOSITION, YOU KNOW. I NEED THE DEATH  
13 CERTIFICATE OF MY MOTHER. AND I'D APPRECIATE IT, WITH ALL THE  
14 POWER THAT YOU PEOPLE HAVE, YOU COULD GET THAT FOR ME SO I CAN  
15 COLLECT ON THE INSURANCE AND MY FATHER'S HERITAGE. THEY SEEM  
16 TO BE TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THAT. EVERYTHING IS GONE. I DON'T  
17 HAVE ANYTHING. I NEED FOOD, EVERYTHING. I SPENT MY CHECK GOING  
18 BACK AND FORTH TO RIVERSIDE TO SEE ABOUT MY MOTHER'S DEATH. I  
19 DON'T HAVE ANYTHING. YOU PEOPLE COULD HAVE HELPED ME. IF I  
20 WOULD HAVE BEEN A CRIMINAL OR EX CONVICT, I WOULD HAVE BEEN A  
21 DIFFERENT THING. I'M ONLY AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN WITH NO CRIMINAL  
22 RECORD. 67 YEARS OLD WITH NO CRIMINAL RECORD. THE ONLY  
23 NEGATIVE THING IN THOSE COMPUTERS IS DONE BY POLICE OFFICERS,  
24 THE CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. I DON'T NEED THIS. WHEN IS MY TURN



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1 FOR FREEDOM? THIS IS SUPPOSED TO BE THE UNITED STATES. I FEEL  
2 LIKE I'M IN SOME KIND OF FOREIGN COUNTRY.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. COOPER. ALL RIGHT. THAT  
5 CONCLUDES--

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7 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR?

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9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I THOUGHT. ALL OF THE ITEMS BEFORE US. MR.  
10 YAROSLAVSKY--

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS THE LAST MEETING WITH BOB  
13 KALUNIAN.... [OVERLAPPING CONVERSATION> OUR COUNTY COUNSEL?  
14 COME OVER HERE, BOB. I THINK BOB HAS DONE A PHENOMENAL JOB. I  
15 JUST WANT TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION FOR HIS PROFESSIONALISM AND  
16 DEDICATION, PERSEVERANCE. AND WE MADE HIM SMILE. OVER AT THE  
17 PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE, HE DIDN'T SMILE MUCH. BUT HERE HE  
18 SMILES AN AWFUL LOT. BUT WE REALLY LIKED HAVING YOU AS PART OF  
19 THE GROUP.

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21 **SUP. KNABE:** HE TOLD ME IT WAS THE BEST 60-DAY JOB HE EVER HAD  
22 IN HIS LIFE. BUT WE APPRECIATE EVERYTHING, BOB.

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24 **ROBERT KALUNIAN, COUNSEL:** PREMATURELY TURNED OFF MY MIC., SO I  
25 CAN SPEAK. THANK YOU FOR THE EXPERIENCE. IT IS SOMETHING THAT



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1 I CERTAINLY AM NOT GOING TO FORGET. [LAUGHTER.] AND I WANT TO  
2 PUBLICLY THANK THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL STAFF WHO  
3 BASICALLY WHEN I CAME HERE, IT WAS KIND OF AN UNUSUAL  
4 CIRCUMSTANCE. THEY WELCOMED ME AS THOUGH I HAD BEEN PART OF  
5 THE OFFICE FOR MY ENTIRE 36 YEARS IN COUNTY COUNSEL, AND  
6 BASICALLY SUPPORTED ME AND ASSISTED ME AND GAVE ME WHAT I  
7 COULD DO AND COULDN'T DO. BASICALLY ANYTHING I DID RIGHT IS A  
8 RESULT OF THEM AND ANYTHING I DID WRONG IS BECAUSE I DIDN'T  
9 LISTEN TO THEM, SO MY HAT'S OFF TO THE STAFF.

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** WOW, YOU CAME WITH A SENSE OF HUMOR, YOU'RE  
12 LEAVING WITH A SENSE OF HUMOR, THAT'S PRETTY GOOD.

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14 **ROBERT KALUNIAN:** THAT'S BECAUSE I'M LEAVING.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, BOB.

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18 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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20 **ROBERT KALUNIAN:** DOES THAT MEAN I HAVE TO COME TO CLOSED  
21 SESSIONS?

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23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOU STILL HAVE ONE MORE THING TO DO, THEN  
24 YOU CAN LEAVE.

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT WILL PUT THE FROSTING ON THE CAKE.

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3    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT IF YOU WILL READ US INTO CLOSED  
4    SESSION.

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6    **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENT,  
7    NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE  
8    IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. C.S.-1, CONFERENCE WITH  
9    LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING INITIATION OF LITIGATION, ONE CASE.  
10    AND ITEMS NO. C.S.-2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING  
11    EXISTING LITIGATION AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THANK  
12    YOU.

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1   REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON JANUARY 26, 2010

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5   CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL   ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

6   (Subdivision (c) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

7   Initiation of litigation (one case) (10-0214)

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9   ACTION TAKEN: The Board directed County Counsel to file a writ  
10   in the Superior Court challenging the City of Los Angeles  
11   approval of the Venice Dual Force Main sewer project.

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13   The vote of the Board was as follows:

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15   Ayes: Supervisors Molina, Knabe and Antonovich

16   Noes: Supervisors Ridley-Thomas and Yaroslavsky.

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18   No reportable action was taken on item CS-2.

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2 Number 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of  
3 California, do hereby certify:

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5 Angeles County Board of Supervisors January 26, 2010,  
6 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my  
7 direction and supervision;

8 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived  
9 in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to  
10 the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by  
11 me.

12 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor  
13 related to any party to the said action; nor  
14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 1st  
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